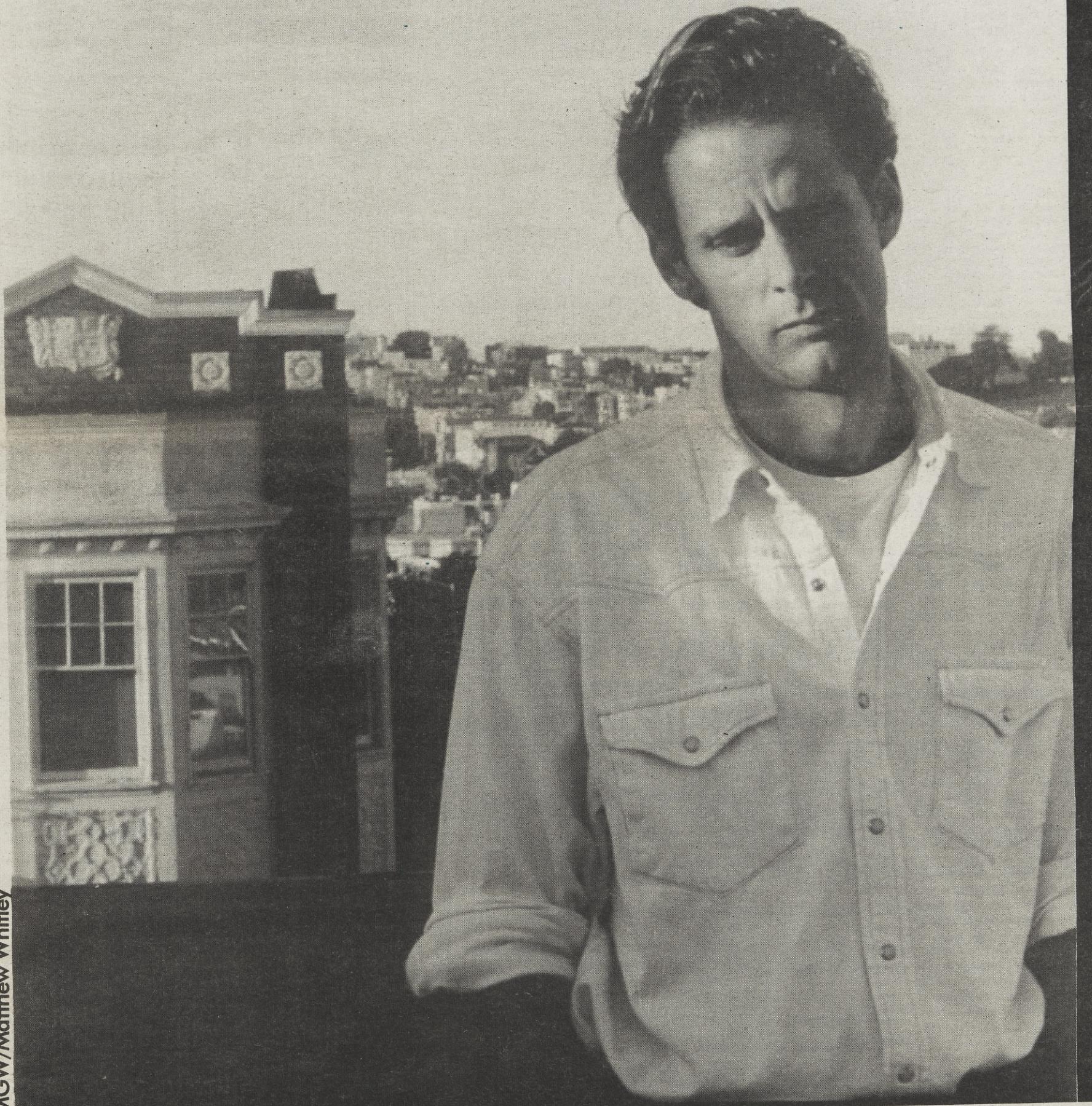


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### Miller is the best candidate

Dear Editor,

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nity for you to help make history. Please help the campaign with your support and contributions.

Sincerely,  
Ted J. Ross  
Tony Miller for Secretary  
of State  
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### Miller supports AB 2801

Dear Editor,

A recent article ["LIFE/Katz introduce state partnership bill," MGW, Vol. 17, Iss. 235, Feb. 15] could be construed to suggest that I oppose Assembly Bill 2810 by Assemblyman Katz which proposes to establish a statewide registry for domestic partnerships.

The fact is I support AB 2810 without hesitation. The Katz bill will promote basic human rights for countless Californians who currently run the risk of being denied such things as the right to visit his or her partner in the hospital. The legislation is long overdue.

Sincerely,  
Tony Miller  
Acting Secretary of State

#### Editor's Note:

Re MGW, Vol. 17, Iss. 235, Feb. 15, 1994.

It is the stated policy of MGW Newspaper to edit (and refrain from editorizing) any and all news articles, features and reviews. Typically, editorial changes are made only to condense, clarify or correct submitted articles without modifying intent, context or content. Stories are otherwise rejected, in whole, on the same basis.

With respect to an article titled "LIFE, Katz introduce state partner-

ship bill" submitted by Aaron Marcus for the Feb. 15, 1994 issue of MGW Newspaper, editorial changes were made that did not condense, clarify or correct Mr. Marcus' article.

The article concerned new legislation that would introduce statewide recognition of domestic partnerships. The legislation, if passed, would be administered under the Secretary of State's office. Significantly, with the prospect of the state electing Tony Miller as Secretary of State, the legislation would come under the policy direction of an openly gay man.

The following, based on an in-depth interview between MGW Newspaper and then-Deputy Secretary of State Tony Miller, was added as the third paragraph to Mr. Marcus'

story by our editorial staff and does not accurately reflect Mr. Marcus' original material:

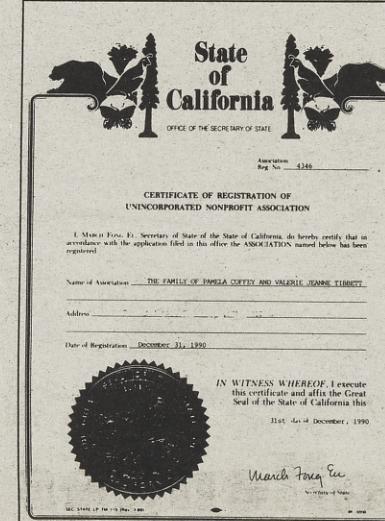
"Deputy Secretary of State Tony Miller, a gay man and candidate for Secretary of State, has told MGW Newspaper that he personally opposes any state sanctioned codification of gay or lesbian marriage. Miller did not indicate that he would use his position, if elected, to oppose or restrict statewide same-sex domestic partnership or marriage."

Using Miller's personal, rather than professional, views on same-sex marriage within the context of an article dealing with domestic partnership was inappropriate. Not allowing Mr. Miller an adequate opportunity to respond was not journalistic.

We stand corrected.

### Miller offered registration long ago

In the late 1980s Tony Miller's office started registering gay/lesbian couples by a Certificate of Registration of Unincorporated Nonprofit Association. ▼



### Securing visitation rights

Dear Editor

What would happen if you or your lover were suddenly hospitalized as the result of an illness or serious accident? What would you do if you were told that you were not permitted to visit your lover because you were not a "relative"? How would you feel if you could not be at the side of your loved one during a crisis situation? Even worse, how would you cope if a doctor told you: "because you are not

family", you would not be permitted to see the patient until next of kin have been notified?

For many gays and lesbians across the country, this nightmare has turned into reality. In fact, television programs such as Oprah and Donahue have featured stories about this very subject. As more gays and lesbians pair up with hopes of spending the rest of their days together, many are being torn apart by homophobia, intolerance, hate crimes, and the very laws that enforce them.

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Acting Secretary of State Tony Miller, shown with his father, receives the oath of office from California Lt. Governor Leo McCarthy. MGW has endorsed Miller's candidacy in his bid for election to the position. Miller is the first openly gay man to hold statewide constitutional office. See article below.

## Miller challenges ballot language

**A**cting Secretary of State Tony Miller plans to challenge, in court, candidate statements of three supporters of convicted felon Lyndon LaRouche which were submitted for inclusion in the June primary California ballot pamphlet.

"The First Amendment protects and encourages robust debate, but it does not require that official publications be tainted with racist and outright false and misleading material," Miller said in announcing the challenges.

A 20-day public display period is provided specifically to allow time for such legal challenges if it is believed

contents to be included in the pamphlet are false or misleading.

The statements challenged are: "If the Hollywood set and the organized crime connected Anti-Defamation League had not spent millions in a campaign of slander and vilification to defeat it (Propositions 64 and 69), millions of people who died would be

alive today." Ted J. Andromidas, Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate.

"...I have documented the racist roots of Hollywood's movie industry, including the role of organized crime and the Anti-Defamation League." Mark Calney, Democratic candidate for Governor.

"We must terminate all OBE-style programs including LEARN, the ADL's racist World of Difference, and Michael Milken-connected DARE programs," David L.

Kilber, candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Under procedures established in response to court decisions, only a court can make changes to candidate statements submitted for inclusion in the California ballot pamphlet. The Secretary of State or any voter can bring a challenge during the 20-day review period.

The June primary California ballot pamphlet contains information regarding the six propositions which have

qualified for the upcoming statewide election. The pamphlet also contains optional statements and photographs of candidates seeking statewide office. Candidate statements first appeared in the statewide pamphlet at the 1990 general election. The statements were then limited to those candidates running for governor.

"The 1990 pilot project was a huge success," Miller

See MILLER, pg. 15

## Miller takes oath of office

By Margie Covino  
MGW/Staff

**A**t noon Feb. 17, California gained its first openly gay constitutional officer. Tony Miller, Deputy Secretary of State of California, became Acting Secretary of State as he was sworn in to replace March Fong Eu who has been appointed Ambassador to Micronesia by President Clinton.

Miller clearly looked forward to the ceremony. "I didn't know if I was excited about the swearing in or just looking forward to the party afterward," he laughed.

In practical terms, Miller's becoming Acting Secretary of State effectively allows him to run as an incumbent in a primary where all three candidates suffer from lack of name recognition in major areas of the state.

One primary opponent,

Michael Woo, was defeated by Richard Riordan for the mayoralty of Los Angeles and is not well known in other parts of the state.

Assemblymember Gwen Moore, D-Los Angeles, an able legislator tainted by involvement of one of her aides in the so-called "Shrimpscam" scandal is not a high profile name in Northern California.

Miller's new position will allow him to be listed by his new title on primary ballots and in campaign literature. ▼



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# The sanction of the victim

By Wes Combs

We tend to reflect on the past year and set our priorities for the new year. In 1993, the lesbian, gay and bisexual community was faced with the grim reality that our lack of visibility directly affected the outcome of the military ban. Every poll shows that Americans who know a family member, loved one or someone close to them who is lesbian, gay or bisexual, generally support fair treatment and oppose discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Having returned from the holidays with both my and my partner Greg's family, two events reminded us of the importance of making honesty and visibility a continued priority in our lives.

Even though both of our families love and accept us, we found that most of them did not believe that in the United States you could be denied a job or a place to live just because of your sexual orientation. Even though we explained the passage of Amendment 2 in Colorado, where the denial of protection for lesbians and gays against these forms of discrimination was actually passed into law in 1993 (recently overturned by the state Supreme Court), they were still shocked that this actually happens. We also were challenged about the need to "flaunt" our sexuality in the workplace. We explained that the simple mention of each other in our office environments often conjures up sexual images in other people's minds about our lives. We were able to show that the same mention by heterosexual co-workers about their wives or husbands is almost always accepted and not considered sexual at all.

This trip showed us that even those of us who are loved and accepted by friends and family still have to continue to educate already enlightened families. But there are too many more families that do not know people like us; who learn about homosexuals from the lies and half-truths spread by people who teach intolerance and hatred. Our families heard these same lies about lesbians and gays before they knew we were gay. As it took us many years to accept and love ourselves, so did our families and friends come to accept us for who we are.

I have made a resolution to no longer be silent. Keep our story in mind and understand the need for everyone to make it a priority to take your next step in "coming out of the closet," step by step, day by day. It is through this process of being honest with yourself that we are able to show our family, friends and co-workers that they actually do recognize: we are their children, their friends, their co-workers, their parents, their bosses, and their fellow citizens.

We cannot sit back and criticize a president, a Congress, a county board member, a family member, a friend or a co-worker for not doing more for us than we are willing to do for ourselves. How can we blame others for not understanding gay, lesbian and bisexual issues if we do not educate them. There will always be excuses, reasons not to be honest with yourself and others. If you live in states where initiatives against gays and lesbians will be on the ballot in 1994, those in Colorado whose voice was not heard should remind us of the cost of silence. ▼

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GeneLabs responded affirmatively and received Federal Drug Administration approval to establish a new protocol for me. This was the first experimental drug approval ever granted by the FDA for an individual.

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I read constantly about AIDS and HIV. There rarely is any good news. It is a great feeling to share a small bit of personal good news and to publicly thank those who, for me and my family, have made "hope" more than just an attitude.

Sincerely,  
Kevin W. Wadsworth

## GLAAD to know ya!

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to your readers' letters and to the article in ["Tower Management and Employees Come Out... Fighting," MGW, Jan. 15, Vol. 17, Iss. 233].

When the initial reports of the lawsuit against Tower Records and MTS, Inc. were issued, the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, was primarily concerned with comments made about "the suitability of lesbians and gays to Tower's image." We issued a press release detailing those concerns, and contacted Tower management for clarification. We did not intend to assign guilt or innocence to the company. Rather, we insisted that the company answer the charges made and publicly clarify its commitments to combating homophobia.

The management did detail the chain's nondiscrimination policy in several statements written to the Bay Area's gay, lesbian and bisexual press.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, is pleased with MTS, Inc.'s response to our initial concerns, and we eagerly await the outcome of the lawsuit in question.

Sincerely,  
Bonnie Haley, Co-Chair,  
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# Reviews mixed on partners' bill

By Margie Covino  
MGW/Staff

**N**ot everyone is convinced that the strategy or the timing of the Domestic Partners bill announced on Valentine's Day is flawless. In some quarters debate is raging about the "heterosexualization" of the gay community. But PC purists aside, there are some observers of the political scene that feel the timing of this bill, submitted by Assemblymember Richard Katz, D-Los Angeles, is way off the mark.

Community activist Jerry Sloan is unhappy about the bill for a number of different reasons. "For one thing, this bill can't be a two-year bill as some of its boosters claim," Sloan said. "You don't have two-year bills in an election year and this is an election year. We might as well write Lou Sheldon and the rest of the Christian right a check for a few million dollars by handing them this issue especially in an election year."

"Also," Sloan said, "most insiders will tell you it doesn't have a snowball's chance in hell of getting out of committee—so what's the point? Didn't anyone take a look at the Princeton Survey research?"

Sloan was referring to the Princeton Survey Research Associates poll which can be seen in the Feb. 14 issue of *Newsweek*. Pollsters found that 74 percent of those polled endorse anti-bias protections in employment and 81 percent endorse housing protections but over 60 percent oppose same sex marriage and adoption rights for gays and lesbians.

Proponents say they're not proposing "marriage." They're proposing "Domestic Partners legislation" but some opponents see little difference in the effect such a split hair can have in this election year.

Tony Miller, the first openly gay person to run for constitutional office in California is actually more concerned that the bill should have "a negative fiscal impact." Miller, who is running for Secretary of State, said of some of the

bill's provisions, "The Secretary of State's office is the appropriate place for such a filing program. No other state agency would be as well equipped to handle it," he said. "We will implement this program as we would any other—I haven't read the bill yet and my only concern is that it be revenue neutral and that it pays for itself."

Sacramento's Log Cabin Club President, Marty Keller, was equally unconcerned about the bill's impact on Miller's candidacy—but perhaps for different reasons. "There's no good time to do any of these things so I say we should just go ahead and do it. Any gay running for office will get more sh—than the next person and that's a given. Especially the first one who runs or the first one who does something, it's always that way. The whole thing will have blown over by November anyway and that's if Miller wins the primary. Bill Jones will probably be running on the Republican side and unless he turns into a screaming right-wing scumbag it'll be a non-issue," Keller said.

Some Capitol insiders are less sanguine and feel that introduction of the bill at this time will give the right wing sufficient fuel to torpedo Miller unless his opponents decide to take the high road. Although LIFE Lobby civil rights coordinator, Ken McPherson describes gay opponents as, "a tiny and insubstantial group," they loom larger for others.

"If the bill had a chance, I'd say 'go for it,'" said Sacramento's Dan Spencer, "but the time for educating the public is before you've got a bill in the hopper not when you're fighting an uphill battle with well organized, well funded opponents. I'm just tired of these damned dog and pony shows the Christians stage at the least provocation," he said.

"I don't know where some of our leaders are coming from—doesn't anyone watch C-SPAN? The conservative convention should have put the literal fear of God, as they interpret it, into our leadership. Take a look at the technology—hell they're not just on the information highway—they're building it. They've got cutting edge technology and they're using it for one purpose—to take over and we're still floating trial balloons? I'm glad my passport is still current," Spencer said.

Sloan agrees with Spencer, "that C-SPAN coverage of the conservative convention was scarier than the National Association of Religious Broadcasters meeting I just attended in D.C.," he said.

"There were so many young people involved that were talking the classic, fascist, anti-gay, anti-everything-except-me party line. We shouldn't be intimidated but we should start to look at the world around us and see what they're doing. At the touch of a button they are going to be able to generate a storm of negative reaction because they're organized—we can't continue to use legislation as an organizing tool—we've got to start strategizing and planning ahead," Sloan said.

In truth the gay and lesbian community should start looking at reality. AB 101 and AB 2601 passed by small margins in a legislature which is controlled by our supposed friends—the Democrats. However, we had to pull out every stop, cash in all of our chips and bend our knees and pull our forelocks in gratitude for the help we got. It boggles the mind to think of the contortions this one will require. ▼

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# Clinton takes opposing stands on key issues

In an analysis of the Clinton Health Security Act and how it will affect lesbians, gay men and bisexuals, a report by NGLTF commends the Clinton Administration for its commitment to universal coverage.

However, the analysis revealed little protection against bias and suggests uniform anti-discrimination language that guards against prejudice in both giving and receiving health care.

The analysis commends the Administration's proposal for including the single payer option for states, the employer mandate to provide health insurance, a standard benefits package and insurance reform. There are, however, several areas of the plan that may leave lesbians, gay men and bisexuals with less coverage than others.

There is currently no provision in the plan that would bar discrimination against lesbians, gay men and bisexuals, either as patients or physicians attempting to contract with a health plan, and the family

provision excludes lesbians and gay men and their children.

Additionally, community health clinics, experts at providing culturally sensitive primary care and HIV services, are not ensured a place in the reform.

In other presidential actions, Clinton issued a



Courtesy Jane Philomen Cleland  
While Clinton condemned discriminatory state ballot initiatives, his health care reforms do not include anti-discrimination language.

basis of sexual orientation or any other grounds are gravely mistaken about the values that make our nation strong," the President said in a letter responding to a request by six national gay rights groups for a Presidential statement on the issue.

"President Clinton's strong condemnation of these initiatives is a welcomed boost to our efforts to fight these measures that legalize discrimination against people based on sexual orientation."

Friends of Lesbians and Gays and Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.

Arizona, Florida, Idaho, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Oregon and Washington currently have pending anti-gay measures circulating for signatures and similar action is threatened in three other states. In addition, Austin, Texas is facing a ballot measure that would repeal that city's domestic partnership program offering benefits to partners of gay city employees.▼



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By Boyce Hinman

In a "Viewpoint" article printed in *The Advocate* Mary Breslauer, of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, lamented the amount of money to be spent on Stonewall 25 in New York City next June and suggested the money could be put to better use.

The organizers of Stonewall 25 say it will take \$5 million to put on the event. Breslauer estimates another \$100 million will be spent on rooms, meals, parties and T-

hear from the voters and the vast majority of those writing favored keeping the ban.

Yet finding the money needed to support Lambda Letters has been a constant struggle. Our members and friends have been very generous whenever we call for help, but we can't keep going back to that same well for support. Terry Sidie, of Faces Bar, has been particularly generous. Three years in a row he has matched the single largest contribution

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could be  
better spent to  
"launch an all-  
out civil rights  
crusade, not hold  
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parade and call it  
politics."

That article really resonated with me. I attended the 1987 March on Washington and was astonished when two days later the U.S. Senate overwhelmingly passed Senator Helms' proposal greatly restricting the use of federal funds for effective AIDS educational material. Our march had little effect on Congress. As a result of that experience I and others launched the Lambda Letters Project to help people write their legislators and other public officials on lesbian, gay and bisexual rights, AIDS/HIV, women's issues and people of color issues. Last year we delivered over 29,000 letters and we now have members in 40 of California's 51 counties. The number of letters delivered has doubled in most years and last year we delivered over 10,000 more than in 1992.

The importance of this effort was reinforced last summer when lobbyists of our national organizations visited members of Congress urging an end to the ban on gays in the military. Repeatedly they were told their visits were nice, but Congress needed to

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We believe that Lambda Letters is a very effective part of the "all-out civil rights crusade" our community needs. The disaster of last summer, on the military issue, is vivid proof of the absolute necessity of efforts like ours, and of groups like LIFE AIDS Lobby, California NOW and CAP/PAC, to name a few others. I urge you to contribute to Lambda Letters or to LIFE, CAP/PAC or others as you choose. Put your money to good use.

Contributions to Lambda Letters may be sent to:  
Lambda Letters, 6212 Silverton Way, Carmichael, 95608, 965-6851.

Boyce Hinman is the Administrator of The Lambda Letters Project, a local group that targets various legislators, businesses and groups with letter-writing campaigns intended to correct or clarify information that Lambda Letters believes has not been presented objectively or fully.▼

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## TELEVISION

*Queer comedy doubled network ratings*

# **Out There II scheduled**

**C**omedy Central will produce its second all-gay and lesbian comedy and variety special, *Out There II* for a debut summer '94. Produced by Trevor Hopkins and Juliet Blake of The English Channel for Comedy Central, *Out There II* will feature more talented, yet largely undiscovered gay and lesbian comedy performers in a funny and positive mix of stand-up, sketch comedy, musical revue and filmed segments.

The second hour-long **LOUD AND PROUD**, outrageous, queer comedy special will be taped before a live audience in New York City during the Gay Games IV, the world's largest international Olympic-style sporting and cultural event from June 18-25, Gay Pride Weekend on June 24-26 and "Stonewall 25," on June 26, which



MGW/Joan Greenfield  
Kathy Najimy (shown with Dr. Helen Hammer) made a special appearance in 1993's performance of *Out There*.

commemorates the 25th anniversary of the birth of the modern gay and lesbian civil rights movement and the Greenwich Village Stonewall riots.

The first hour special, which doubled the networks prime time ratings, was taped before a live audience at San Francisco's Great American Music Hall on Oct. 11, National Coming Out Day. Hosted by Lea Delaria, *Out There* featured the comedy of Bob Smith ("Funny Gay Males"), lesbian comic Suzanne Westenhoefer, Hispanic comedy performer Marga Gomez, HIV-positive comedian Steven Moore, Generation X comedian Mark Davis, sketch comedy troupe Pomo Afro Homos and Jewish lesbian folk singer, Phranc. The show also included statements of support by well-known comedy celebrities, plus cameo appearances by some of the nation's top comedy stars including Kathy Najimy, Bea Arthur, Sir Ian McKellan and musician Melissa Etheridge. ▼

## THEATER

### **Lambda Players audition *Antigone***

The Lambda Players will hold auditions for the Anouilh translation of *Antigone*, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 8 and 9 in the basement of the Lambda Center, 20th and L Streets at 7pm. Those auditioning will be asked to do readings, no prepared monologues are needed.

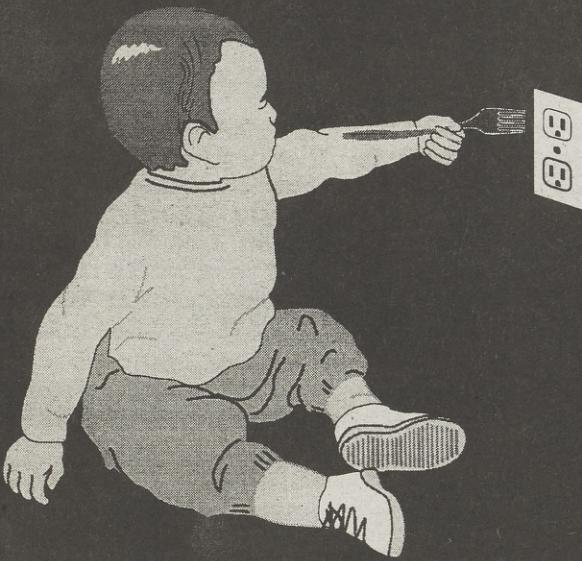
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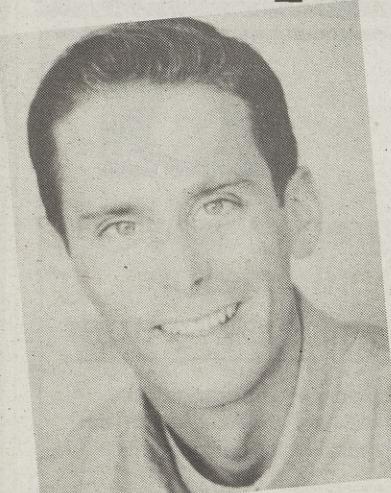
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## MEDIA WATCH

By Al Kielwasser  
GLAAD/SFBA

### Blossoming awareness

On a recent episode of the NBC sitcom *Blossom*, Jody Lawrence gets an unexpected love letter. The note, signed "Leslie," sends Joey into fits of glee at the thought of being the object of some girl's desire. It turns out that "Les" is not a girl, however, but a gay teen.

Joey, as we might expect, has an apoplectic seizure. He confides in a friend telling her: "Leslie used to be one of the guys. Now he's just somebody who gives me the creeps." His friend, a young African American woman, objects and tells Joey about her own experiences with racism. "So I know something about what it's like when people shun you for who you are," she says, "And, Joey, I wouldn't wish that feeling on anybody."

In the episode's final scene the gay teenager is seen in the school hallways, where

he is being harassed by another student. Shoving Leslie, the bigot taunts: "Hey queer, is this your spot? Is this where you pick up all the boys!?" Joey stumbles on the scene, helps Leslie defend against the attacker, and signals his growing acceptance of Leslie.

Encourage this effort; ask the show's producers to do more positive story lines

and to consider adding a continuing lesbian or gay character to the *Blossom* cast.

Executive Producers Paul Junger Witt, Tony Thomas and Don Reno, *Blossom*. NBC Entertainment, 3000 West Alameda Ave., Burbank, 91523, 818-840-4444.

### More Out advertisers

The nation's newest queer glossy, *Out* magazine, continues to rack up more advertisers. The Perrier Group is the latest company to lend its support, buying ad space for Calistoga water. Such advertisers are routinely the brunt

of boycotts launched by the homophobic American Family Association and other hate groups. Send supportive letters to Andy Hilliard, The Perrier Group, 777 West Putnam Ave. Box 2313, Greenwich, CT 06826. Send copies of correspondence to *Out*, The Soho Building, 110 Greene St. Suite 800, NY 10017, 212-334-9119, fax 212-334-9227.

### Focus on Riggs

Filmmaker and culture-critic Marlon Riggs is the subject of a cover story in *San Francisco Focus* magazine. In a nine-page interview with Michael Datcher (a self-identified "recovering homophobe"), Riggs comments on his life, work and politics as an African American, gay, and HIV-positive man.

The filmmaker's almost-supernatural eloquence pervades this moving tribute. "Silence kills the soul; it diminishes its possibilities to rise and fly and explore," Riggs explains, "Silence withers what makes you human. The soul falters. It lives in a cage, and the cage continues to shrink, and it shrinks as the cage shrinks, until it's nothing."

Comments should be sent to Rick Cogher, Managing Editor, *San Francisco Focus*, 2601 Mariposa St., S.F., CA 94110-1400, 415-553-2800, fax 415-553-2470.

### Newsweek on homophobia

In a series of articles, the Feb. 14 issue of *Newsweek* asks "Just what is homophobia? In an era of increased tolerance and acceptance, the word has kept its bite but lost some of its definition." In the lead article, John Leland uses Lewiston, Maine, as the backdrop for exploring homophobia. The small town was the site of a struggle over anti-discrimination legislation last year. To his credit, Leland manages to make a crucial point: many citizens who claim that they are neither anti-democratic nor homophobic are, upon closer examination, intolerant bigots. However, this is hardly an "in-depth" examination of homophobia, and many questions remain unanswered.

A related article by Michele Ingrassia takes a look at lesbian/gay adoption, focusing on the case of Megan Lucas, who has been

convicted of arson, larceny and kidnapping, abandoned her son when he was 5 months old. Now, she is suing to get him back from the gay couple who adopted him.

Unfortunately, this important article is headlined "The Limits of Tolerance?" and the reporter writes that "perhaps more than any other issue on the social landscape, gay adoption pushes the limits of tolerance." This rhetoric echoes the question that appeared, in regard to lesbian visibility, on *Newsweek's* June 21, 1993, cover: "What are the limits of tolerance?" Such questions pander to the notion that there is a finite point at which lesbian and gay existence can become "intolerable." Homophobia has less to do with the limits of tolerance than with the boundaries of hatred and ignorance.

Send your comments (along with your name, address and daytime phone) to the Letters Editor, *Newsweek*, 444 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022-6999, fax 212-350-4120.

To notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation of any defamatory media coverage, or to request GLAAD membership information: GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro Street, Suite B, San Francisco, 94114-415-861-4588. ▀

## GALLERIES

Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211.  
Archival Framing Gallery, 1 St., 444-9624.

African American Art Center 3449 Watt Ave. 485-4516.

American River College Walter Kennedy, Thru 17; Anthony Natsoula, Mar 21 - Apr 15; Student show, Apr 19 - May 13, 4700 College Oak, 484-8433.

Big Art Works . John Stewart Berger paintings, Sherri Regan sculpture, Wes Jimerson, photography, Mar 8-Apr 1, 1928 L St., 446-2740.

Capitol Cafe "Ancient Secrets II," Carol Atte ceramic sculpture, Mar 7 - Apr 16, 6th Flr, State Capitol.

Center for Contemporary Art, Sherry Ragan and Ann Tracy, Virginia Appert, Barbara Milman, Thru Mar 6, 1116 15th Street, 448-6269.

Crocker Art Museum Swiss Figurative Drawings, Thru March 13; Himovitz Exhibition, thru April 24, 216 O St., 264-5423.

CSUS Gallery "Meditation on Form", sculptural furniture by Penny Lorain, Thru Mar 11; Smithsonian Institution Exhibit "Diversity Endangered" Mar 14 - Apr 8; Jim Hake Sculpture, Apr 11 - Apr 29; Student show and sale, May 2-26, University Union, 6000 J St. 278-7250.

Darkroom Gallery 708 57th St. 440-4906.

Dexter Smith Studio Recent Sketches, March; New Paintings, April; Guest artist show, May; "Legends" Exhibit, June, 1727 1 St. 447-6209.

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IDEA Art Space 1230 H St. 452-0949.

J. Maddux Parker Gallery 1107 22nd St., 448-6616.

Java City 1800 Capitol Ave. 444-JAVA.  
La Raza Galeria Posada, 704 O St., 446-5133.

The Luggage Store Gallery, "Family Album" Steve Compton and Lenore Chinn, Jun 8-Jul 1, 6-9pm, 1007 Market St, 2nd Flr., SF 415-255-5971.

Luna's Cafe Deborah C. Goldstein, photography, "Southwest and Mexico—Contrasts & Contradictions," thru Mar 31, 1414 16th St., 448-1303.

Matrix Gallery Kay Buckner, Jane Terzis, Anita Lee, Thru Mar 21; Matrix International '94, juried exh. Mar 23-Apr 22, 1725 1 St., 441-4818.

Michael Himovitz Gallery Stephanie Skalsky, Roberta Loesch, Olive Ayhers, Thru Mar 5; Ike Eisenmann, Ruth Snyder, Don Bell Mar 9 - Apr 2, 1020 10th, 448-8723.

Mums Restaurant 2968 Freeport Blvd. 444-3015.

Richard L. Nelson Gallery, Mineko Grimmer: Installation, Thru Mar 11; Selections from the Collection, Thru Mar 11; Lynn Hershenow Apr 10-20; Master of Fine Art, June 3-Jul 1, UCD, 752-8500.

Opts. Art Gallery Visual Art - Artists Fighting AIDS, "Presence: Recent Work" Thru Mar. 20, 250 4th St., 2nd floor, SF, 415-391-9663.

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UCD Design Gallery, "Reticules, Bags and Purse," Feb 28-Mar 25; "Picnic Day Show" Apr 12 - Apr 29; "Fibrous Raiments" May 16 Aug 6, 1723 J St., 442-3360.

Weintraub Hunter Gallery "The Berkeley Connection," Erika Cosby & Tracy Miller, Feb 9-Mar 5; Choo Goh : Paintings, Jim Hake : Sculpture, Mar 12 - Apr 2; Christine Peirano, Apr 9-May 7, Susan Keizer, May 14-Jun 4; "Box Show," Various Artists Jun 11-Jul 2; "Introductions '94" Various Artists, Jul 9-Aug 6, 1723 J St., 442-3360.

## Groups meet with SF Mayor

By Al Kielwasser  
GLAAD/SFBA

**R**epresentatives from several lesbian, gay and bisexual community groups met with San Francisco's Mayor Jordan to discuss HIV and AIDS funding, the city-wide rise in hate crimes, the mayoral appointment procedure, the City's response to the growing needs of lesbian, gay and bisexual youth, fair taxation of Right Wing political "churches" and the increasing influence of the right wing on city and state policies.

The Harvey Milk Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Democratic Club had pressed the Mayor for this

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(CUAV), Bi Pol, the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, the Alexander Hamilton Post of the American Legion, and FABRIC (a gay and lesbian Asian Pacific Islander youth group).

Jordan said that he wanted lesbians, gays, and bisexuals to "feel satisfied, a part of the process, and have a fair share" but he hesitated to make specific commitments. The Mayor cited budget and time constraints as factors preventing his action.

When asked to write a letter in support of lesbian, gay and bisexual issues to the mayors who are faced with right wing sponsored initiatives, Jordan stated that he would take it under consideration and would act if he thought the letter would be effective. Gerard Palmeri who represented Bi Pol at the meeting, said "The Mayor believes he's honest and sincere about where he's at, unfortunately where he's at is the problem." ▀

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By Candie Leigh White  
MGW/Staff

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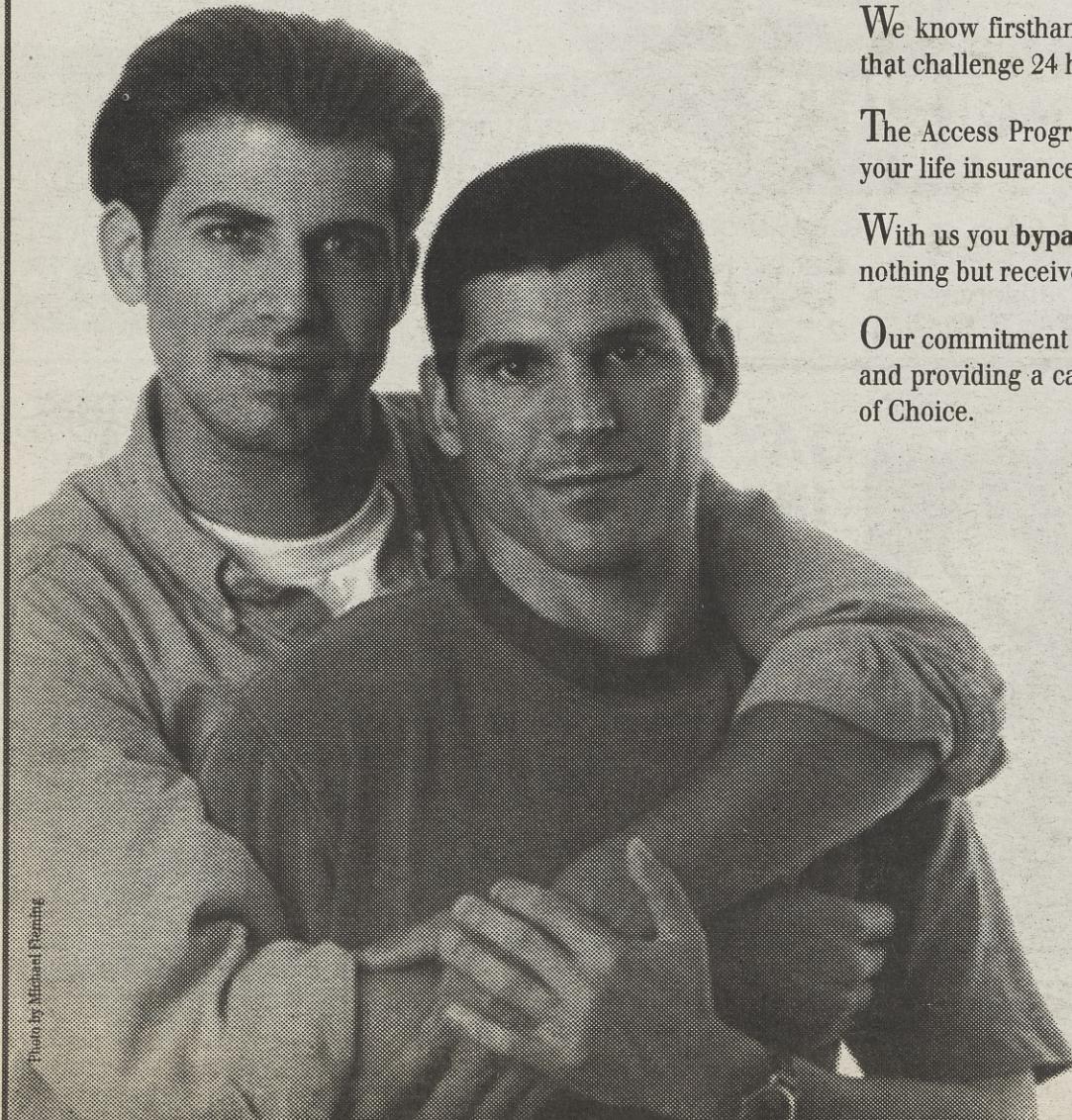


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# New travel books released

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In March Detour Publications will celebrate the release of *Detour's New York*, which has been chosen as an official guide for Gay Games IV.

Coinciding with this international event, *Detour's Paris* and *Detour's Amsterdam*, the sight of Gay Games V will be published.

Premiering in fall will be books for Southern California, San Francisco, New England and Hawaii.

Each book is written in a light, friendly travelogue-guide manner. They all include reviews (not just listings) of hotels, restaurants and nightclubs, as well as

details on sight seeing, shopping, gay history and special walking tours.

Interest in the guides has come from a number of well known people. Gloria Estefan has written the introduction for *Detour's Miami* and Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly has written a letter of introduction in *Detour's Washington, D.C.*

Jon Nicholson, publisher of Detour and MGW Newspaper Travel Editor started Detour Publications, Inc. after experiencing a lack of reliable information for his clientele. Much of the information he used was received from people who lived or traveled to a particular destination. Detour now uses that same idea and contracts with writers who either reside or have extensive knowledge about the destination. "This provides the reader with first-hand information, it is like having a friend in each of the cities," said Nicholson.▼

## While England Sleeps

Reviewed by Erik Slayton  
MGW/Staff

**While England Sleeps**, David Leavitt, Penguin Group, 304 pps, \$22.00.

In David Leavitt's 3rd book, he has once again given us something to take with us everywhere we go. Brian Botsford, our hero, is telling us his story, set in pre-WWII England and a war-torn Spain in the midst of its own civil war. Brian feels compelled to tell all that makes him pitiable and sympathetic.

Leavitt gives us a realistic view of a man who can't accept his own sexuality, and makes decisions that will affect his young lover. Brian's choices will ultimately be his own undoing many years later when he leaves England for America.

Leavitt also gives us a realistic view of England, in the 1930s and of Spain during its civil war, in which fascism will win and the beliefs of England's youth will die. *While England Sleeps*, deals also with America's McCarthy era, when so many people lost so much.

In the end, the book is

about beliefs and the basic principle on which they are based, and how they can also be the ruin of the believer.

Leavitt has dazzled us again.▼

## Keeping Secrets

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle  
MGW/Staff

**Keeping Secrets** Penny Mickelbury, Naiad Press, 1994, 189 pages, \$9.95 paperback.

If you are familiar with my previous reviews, you know that I love lesbian mysteries. I especially love lesbian mysteries with strong heroines and realistic story lines. *Keeping Secrets* fits my definition of a book that I love.

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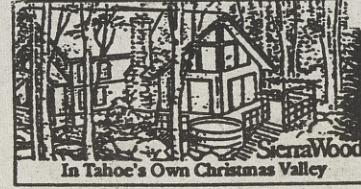
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## BOOKS

### Erotic: women's tales

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fantasies in story form in hopes of dealing with some inner issues. What happened next changed Sommers' life. At friend's urging she continued writing until Sommers had a complete book of short stories. She overnited this to Naiad Press where the response was overwhelmingly positive and her first book immediately published.

Sommers said she doesn't recommend this tactic to all writers. She felt very good about her stories and took a chance. It has paid off.

As the cliche says, it is not always a bed of roses. Sommers, like most writers, has her share of critics. And just as Susan Faludi mentions in her book, *Backlash*, one of the biggest oppositions to women pushing for change are other women. Sommers receives most of her criticism from other women. Sommers says it is very hard to stay in safe boundaries with her writing. Her response to female critics is very firm. "I do not feel that women enjoying their own body, or women enjoying their own sexuality, or women writing it in an erotic way is oppressive. I feel that it is wonderful. My characters are all consenting. Nobody is being drugged. Everybody is doing it because they want to be doing it. A lot of my work is not politically correct, but I like that. Women pushing their own boundaries."

Priding herself on her ability to overcome obstacles Sommers has never backed down from a challenge. She feels it is important for women to explore themselves. To feel good about who they are. She hopes her writing can help women do this. She says men have been doing it for years so why can't women? I asked Sommers why she chose to write as explicitly as she does. She said, "When I

used to read erotica I hungered for explicit writings and I never found things that went into as much detail as I liked, so I wrote it the way I wanted to read it." Sommers admits she likes knowing a lot of women go to bed at night with her books clutched in their hands.

Many lesbians wait anxiously for Sommers to come to their town so she can perform one of her famous book readings. Her ability to act out her words leaves audiences flushed and embarrassed and longing for more. Sommers likes the interaction with her audience. She likes traveling to new cities and meeting the women who read her stories. Although her self exploration has elevated her to planes where she can act out and on her fantasies Sommers is just like thousands of women who have had to or are overcoming oppressed lives that prohibit them from truly feeling good about who they are. Now with the AIDS epidemic fear has forced women back into the closet again where sex is concerned, especially sex with multiple partners. Sommers does not advocate reckless behavior or unsafe sex. She has confidence that her readers, and now her listeners can take her stories and act on them in a responsible manner. Grier calls Sommers' writing the "sex toy of the nineties." Both Sommers and Grier agree that reading and or listening to stories that do not advocate violent or irresponsible sex but rather entertain audiences with healthy, positive encounters provides an alternative to physically exploring one's fantasies in an unsafe environment.

With her latest book, *Behind Closed Doors*

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## DANCE

### Modern dance program to premiere



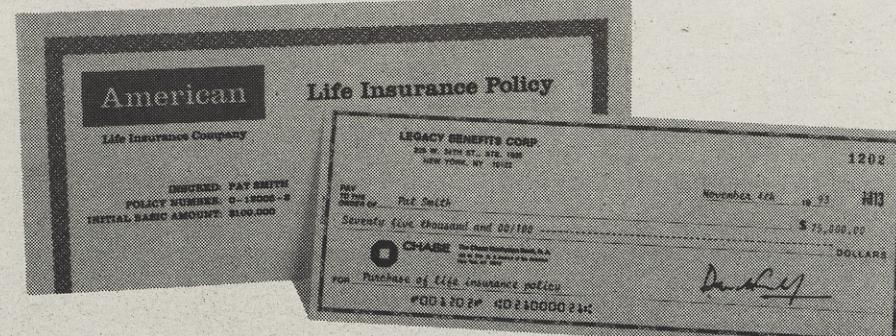
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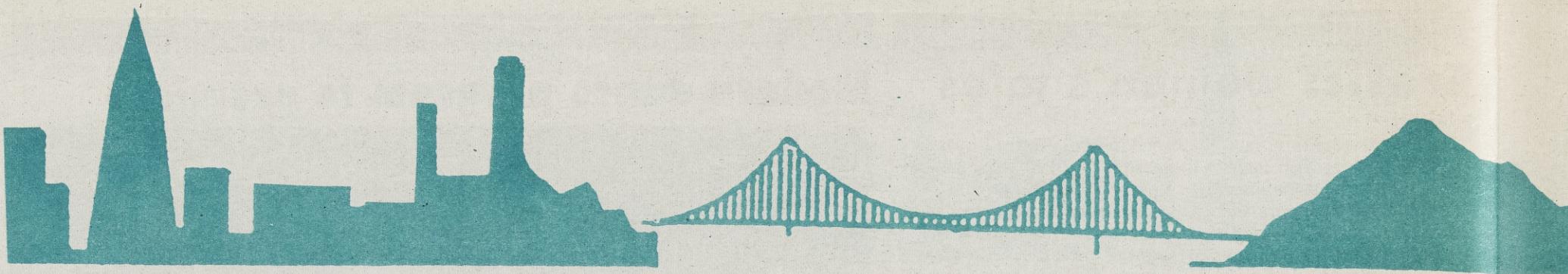
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*The state and body of queer comedy*

## The devil and Scott Capurro

By Erich Mathias  
MGW/Arts & Entertainment Editor

**S**cott Capurro is tall, thirty-ish and almost awkward. His huge eyes will entice you as much as his bright smile will charm you...but his slightly furrowed brow and omnipresent look of distraction reveals something maniacal and terrifying and suicidal...something singularly *unfunny*. This is the unusual mien of a refreshingly funny Bay Area stand-up comedian and actor.

Capurro is a displaced doppelganger: his personal life streams through his work like neatly woven silk cloth and, on the other side, comedy rages darkly through his private self. Individually, these Scott Capurros are fascinating, absorbing and intelligent people. Together, they are frighteningly hilarious.

He is not the screaming puppet of Lea DeLaria's act. He lacks the gentle prodding of Marga Gomez' style. He has a constant flow of fresh material unlike Lois Bromfield. He has yet to hit the high road of Ellen DeGeneres. Whether playing straight or gay clubs, Capurro has proved a wonderful ability to remain outside the average, the mainstream, the common. "I don't have a niche," Capurro said, "I don't want to be comfortable with myself or my material. I want to do what works. I'm in it for the bucks. We all are."

Capurro's style of stark, improvisational comedy was most evident during a performance at Josie's Juice Joint in San Francisco: his monologue included a window to his intimate relationship with another comic. As the set ended, Capurro stripped to his underwear. "Well, I guess I'm done now," he said from the stage. A voice from within the audience cried, "Yeah! But not for the reason you think."

Capurro stormed from the stage and later said of the incident, "I was in a relationship with someone who did not respond to my needs. I was in front of an audience that was not listening to me. What the fuck did I have to do [to get their attention]?" Capurro broke up with his comic boyfriend that night.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Capurro is one of three children. His childhood was filled with extended visits to the Westlake Shopping Center where he spent

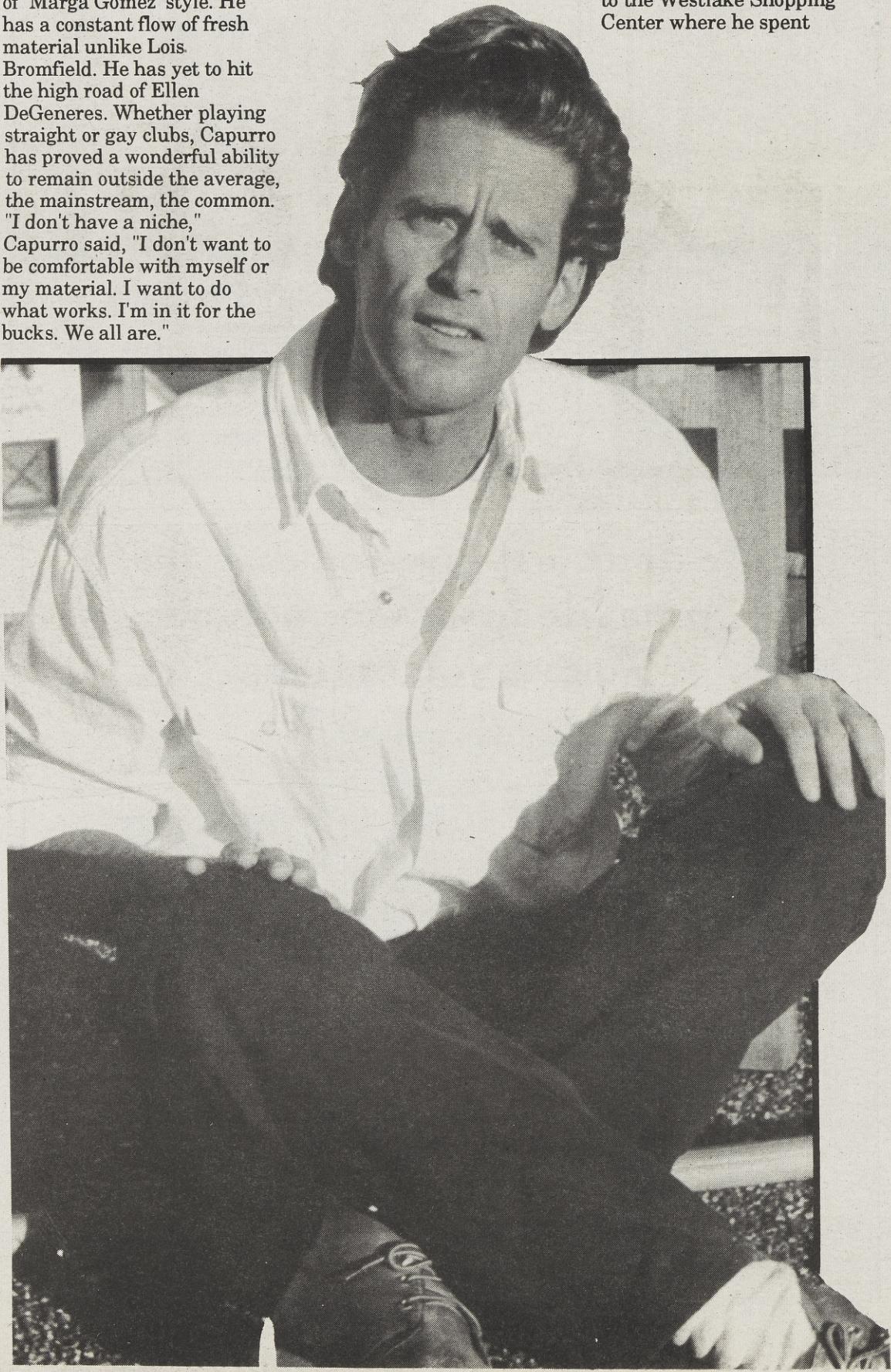
afternoons shopping for toys for his imaginary friends with money he stole from his mother's purse.

When Capurro's parents divorced, he moved with his mother and siblings to Marin County. His mother acclimated well to Marin's ambience of unfettered speech and self-obsession. In no time she was frosting her hair, smoking pot and dating anything with a Mercedes.

Feeling inexplicably

obliged to butch it up for his mother's boyfriends during his formative years, Capurro mowed lawns, played with dogs and went camping (in the woods). He hated it all: the bugs, the dirt, the tube-topped girls he had to confront. He was disturbed by his own inability to accept such common American pastimes. That all changed very quickly.

While preparing for school one morning, Capurro stood ironing his jeans into a pencil-





straight crease when his sister slithered past the doorway and said, "Only faggots iron their jeans." Capurro was stunned into speechlessness. In her own crude, half-witted manner, his sister had ripped a secret from him that even he hadn't yet realized. Suddenly, things were becoming clearer for Capurro. He wept.

At last, the frustrated efforts to play third base or shoot hoops and all the failures with football began to make sense. All those hours in his mother's paisley halter top listening to Karen Carpenter seemed appropriate. Now he wondered only if he "looked good in black."

Capurro dramatically tossed loathing and self-

hatred to the wind and allowed taste, discretion and attitude to fill his once miserable life. With self-awareness came sex in cars, gin and tonics and a better haircut. ...And the stage.

And radio, the silver screen and television.

In 1988, Capurro was dared by a friend to take a stab at stand-up comedy during an open mic night at a San Francisco nightclub. His unplanned performance rang true with his mostly hetero audience and a performer was born. "Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. I was the funniest guy in school, always cracking people up."

Capurro played the tartly-flavored Emory in a Theatre Rhinoceros production of *Boys*

*in the Band* for which he received good reviews.

Besides his regular appearances on the San Francisco comedy club circuit, Capurro was most recently seen in *Mrs. Doubtfire* (1994) playing a makeup artist and partner to Harvey Fierstein. Capurro's most memorable role to date, however, included only small portions of his anatomy. His fingers.

Producer/director Bohdan Zachary collaborated with Capurro in filming what began as "two friends talking about the nature of their relationships...that is, about my relationships," Capurro said. The resulting films are the comic adventures of lovers and newlyweds as told with writer Capurro's fingers. The films, *Loverville* and the sequel *Loverville II: The Honeymoon* have become

staples of gay and lesbian film festivals. "We were discussing the ridiculousness of love," Capurro said. "I just started talking in this cutesy voice and gesturing with my fingers to animate the scene. I tried it in my act one night and the audience went nuts."

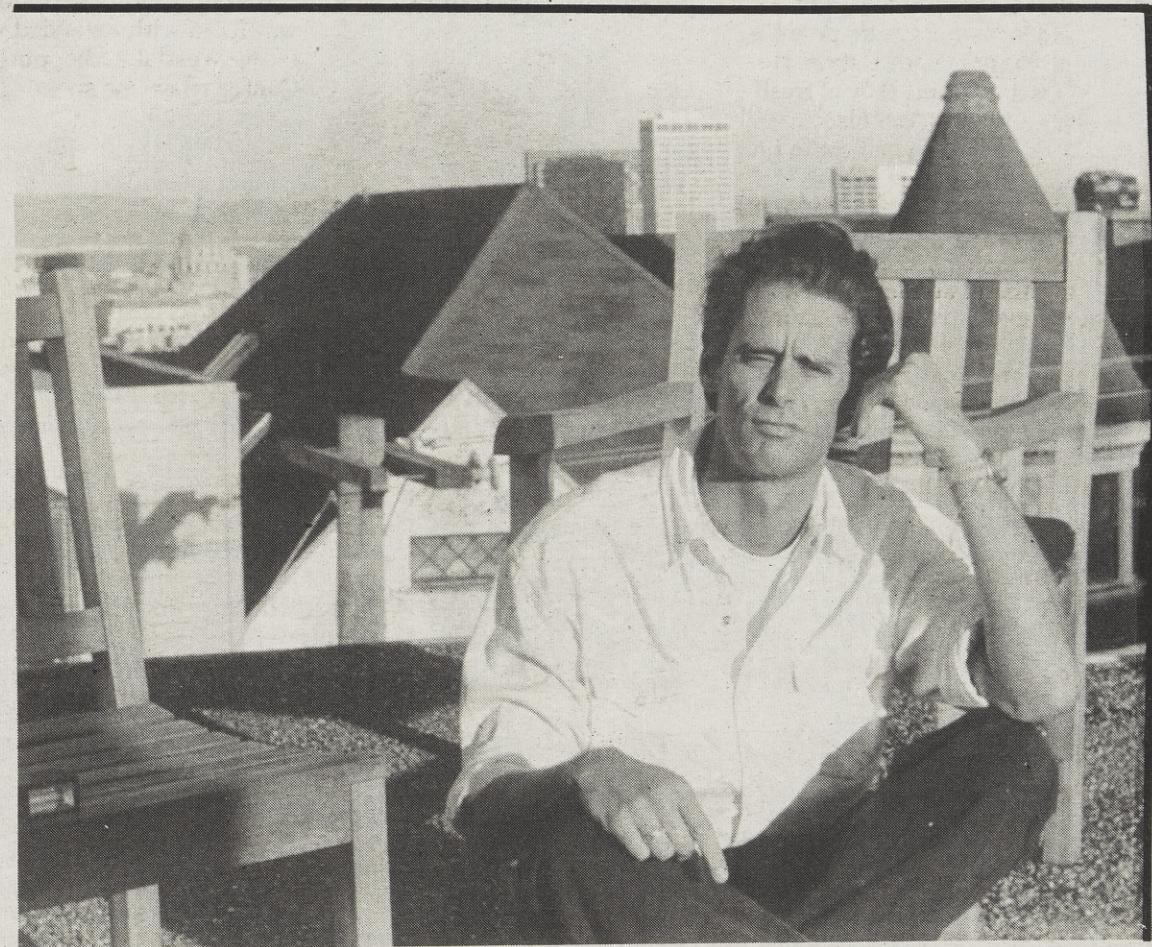
Capurro, who is well-known within the gay community of the Bay Area, has pushed New Queer Comedy into the laps of increasingly straight audiences. "I mean, what is the difference? Queer comedy. Straight comedy. It's all the same. We all want the same things." Missing from the recent Comedy Central cable television production of *Out There*, Capurro said, "This so-called queer comedy has been going on for years. It's funny to think that people get so excited about something that's been in their

backyard all along. Open your eyes!"

Primarily straight audiences, however, provide an electricity for Capurro that he can't find at venues like Josie's. "I do my best work outside my element," Capurro said. "I'm queer. That's made clear from the beginning, then I'm free to improvise and interact with my audience...I can sit in their laps and sing songs."

From the stage, Capurro can talk with his imaginary friends, process his most neurotic fears, and have the attention of an entire room full of people, which is all he's ever really wanted.

Capurro will be performing with Sabrina Matthews and Johnny Steele at Sacramento's The Punch Line, 2100 Arden Way, Mar. 10-13. Tickets and info: 925-8500. ▼



Photos by Matthew Whitley

FLASH!

# March to a different beat

By John Batchelor  
MGW/Staff

**Paul and Michael Starr-Fuhr** are really leaving our fair city. Promotions and the final purchase of a new house in southern California clinched the deal. (Since the rumbling in LA, houses are

cheaper!) These two have no idea how much they will be missed...Best Wishes ▼ The newly organized Sacramento chapter of the Names Project Memorial Quilt made its first showing at the

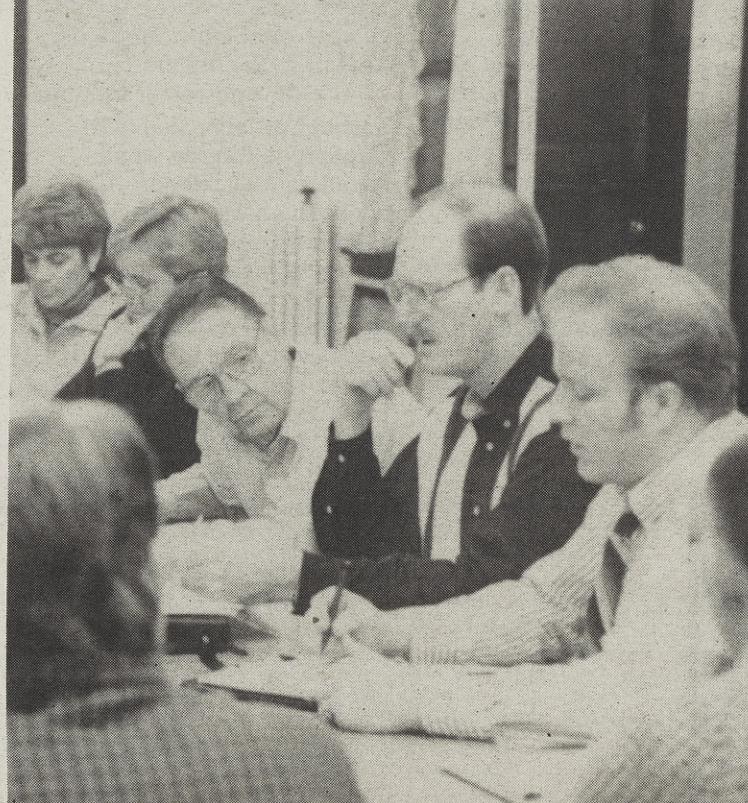
**Interface Network.** Many area churches were represented at the local forum. The Names Project exhibit displayed two 12'x12' panels. One included a panel for **Michael Moffett** ▼ The fundraisers are underway to elect **Tony Miller** as the next Secretary of State. A recent gathering took place at the home of **Bob Balthazor** and **Kevin Caples**. Some of the folks making the event happen were **Paulette Jacobson, Tom Grof, Dan Armanini, Ted Ross, Nan** used his sixth sense to pick out a "family" restaurant for he and his honey on Valentine's Day. Little did he know how accurate his senses would be...the **Imperial Hotel** in Amador City (restaurant and Bed and Breakfast) was the perfect destination. In the heart of the Gold Country, we were both pampered and made to feel perfectly at ease. The special Valentine's menu included "Salmon Chanted Evening" and "Tender-Loins Afire." Who could ask for more! ▼

San Francisco. At a special dinner Davis was honored for her work with the writer's group since 1990 ▼ The **Capitol City Squares** recent 50's Hop dance was a huge success. Members and guests sported poodle shirts, beehive hairdos and Cleopatra eyes. The evening was outrageous and fun ▼ In nightclub news the town is a-buzzin...the **Buffalo Club** is serving food on the patio until 11pm Friday through Sunday. Deejay **Joey** spins the tunes and keeps everyone dancing until closing on Friday and Saturday...**Faces** keeps them dancing to Country and house music every night of the week...The **Mercantile Saloon** is a warm spot to visit on a cold evening, there's always a fun fundraiser in the works...The **Town House** is always a place to catch a game of pool and visit friends...For the leather crowd and leather crowd admirers, it's the **Wreck Room**...The **Mirage** now has dancing on Saturday nights from 6-11 pm with free pool from 11pm until the wee hours (2am) ▼ Happy March Birthdays to **Ron Gray, Steve Sanchez, Ernie Brown, George Fox, Russ Marsh, Mark Viviano, Kurt Fowler** and MGW's HIV/AIDS Editor **Sonya Cox** who is once again celebrating her **37th Birthday**! ▼ Belated Birthday wishes to **Will Crews, Kevin Webb** and **Kurt Masters**. Hopefully the year ahead will hold numerous happy adventures (with few headaches) ▼ Make a point to see the **Lambda Players Psycho Beach Party**. The show is full of hunky surfers, beautiful beach gals and as much psychotic humor as you can handle. Plays Friday and Saturday nights through March 26th ▼ It's never too late to get "out" on the dance floor. Try out all the latest partner and line dances in my upcoming **Country Western Mini-Course**. The fun starts at the MCC Ballroom on March 7. ▼ **Spring** is just around the corner...enjoy! John ▼

## Lesbian/gay/bisexual Town Council meets



Rainbow Realtors' Jayne Rountree, Sacramento Area Career Women's Network's (SACWN) Sandra Virago provided strong ideas and impetus to the Town Council's agenda. Other Town Council members debated and voted on the goals and direction of the group with moderator Michael Boyd of Compustations and vice moderator Andross of MGW Newspaper and the cable access program *Being Gay Today*. The Town Council last met on Feb. 28. All organizations and individuals are invited to attend.



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**Goodart, Glenda Lippman and Mark Whisler** ▼ In other fundraiser news, Randy Hartley and Dennis Mangers put together a reception for Bruce Pomer. Pomer is running for a City Councilmember seat in District 3. This event took place at the beautiful Hartley House Inn ▼ Mr. Flash

Another segment of the well-rounded program at the Lambda Center is the "Older Gay Men and Women Potluck." The tentative dates for upcoming meetings are March 1 and April 5. To confirm dates, please call 442-0185 ▼ Sacramentan **Sandy Davis** was formally recognized by Project Inform in

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## LOCAL NEWS

# Queer-positive HIV+ to perform benefit concerts



MGW/Steve Luse

Pam, Kendon, Mikel, and Reggie of the local band HIV+ will perform benefit concerts for Queer (a local anarchist queer 'zine) Mar. 5, 8pm, at the Guild Theater and Mar. 13, 6pm, at the Loft located in the alley behind Time Tested Books.

## THEATER

# And the beach played on

By Erich Mathias  
MGW/Arts and Entertainment Editor

**W**hat do surfer boys, incognito actresses, multiple personalities, Nietzsche, surfer girls and *Mommie Dearest* have in common?

In the Lambda Players' production of *Psycho Beach Party*, the answer is an ocean of laughs.

Simply described as Gidget Goes Bananas, *Psycho Beach Party* is a spoof of the surfer movies of the '60s. It chronicles the story of heroine Chicklet as she breaks upon the Malibu Beach scene with a single desire—to become a surf goddess.

Life is never so simple, though, and in this hilarious comedy the road blocks are many and include a domineering mother, a boys-only surfer attitude and a cast of characters that make up Chicklet's own multiple-personality.

The role of Chicklet is demanding. It requires the young surfer-aspirant to maintain the wide-eyed innocence of Sandra Dee while instantaneously shifting to the disturbing personalities within her. They do occasionally escape.

John Lamb is excellent in his portrayal of Chicklet. Perky as a Sally Field, Lamb is also able to slip into the role of seductive dominatrix, taking us along for a brief ride to the other side.

There he is joined by Patrick Zeglarzki, who redefines motherhood and John Rambo as the beach bimbo Marvel Ann, who are hilarious.

Karyn Casl, as the movie star Bettina Barnes, and Adam Alden, as Starcat, turn in sterling performances.

Notable are Leanne Borghesi as Berdine, Dave Lawlor as surfer god Kanaka and Erik Slayton and Shawn J. West as starcrossed surfers.

Directed by Thomas Bach, *Psycho Beach Party* is fast paced and fun. It plays Fridays and Saturdays through March 19 at 8pm in the YWCA Theatre, 17th and L streets. Tickets are available at the Community Center Box Office prior to the day of performance or at the door. ▼

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## UNDER THE DOME

# Miller: ballot challenge

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said. "The statements were very popular and I believe that expanding that program will be well-received by the voters," he continued.

"Including statements and photographs of candidates has worked well in Alaska, Oregon and Washington," according to Miller, "it helps the voters to become better informed about candidates by providing an alternative to expensive and often-criticized

30-second sound-bite television ads. It is time that California followed the lead of these other states."

The complete text of the June primary ballot pamphlet is on public display at the Secretary of State's offices in Sacramento, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego. Judicial challenges to test statutorily must be brought exclusively in the Superior Court in Sacramento. ▼

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## FAREWELL

# Martyr

(an epitaph to Derek Jarman)

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and bitter stars  
and angry stars.

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and rightfully so,  
is your earthly communion with shadows,  
puppets and words.

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i have looked on your body  
and smelled your blood  
for long enough.

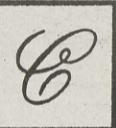
your vanished hand  
holds me submerged  
...still.

now  
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still.

-Erich Mathias

Outspoken British independent filmmaker, painter and author Derek Jarman died Feb. 19 after a long battle with AIDS. Jarman directed *Edward II* (1991), *Caravaggio* (1986) and *Sebastiane* (1975) among others. ▼

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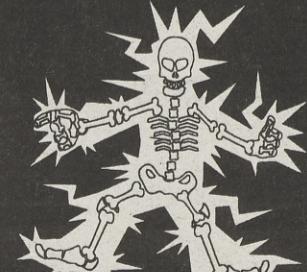
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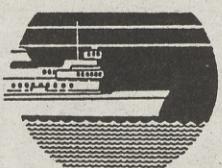
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## HIV NEWSLINE

By Sonya Cox  
AIDS/HIV Editor

He will long be remembered.

### AIDS reporter Shilts dies...

The man who will be remembered as getting the word "AIDS" on the front pages of San Francisco newspapers—at a time when backward government leaders were ignoring the health crisis, and frightened members of the gay community were seeking as many answers as possible—died in mid-February at his home in Guerneville of AIDS. The three books written by Randy Shilts, 42, serve as a documentary of life in the gay community. They are his legacy, guides for "mainstream" Americans taking their first steps toward acknowledging and counteracting hatred and discrimination aimed at the gay and lesbian community. Just before being hired as a reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle in 1981, when there were about 330 cases nationwide of the disease then called GRID, he began his first book, "The Mayor of Castro Street."

This biography of Harvey Milk, one of the first gay people elected to public office in the country, and one of the first to be assassinated, was an instant best-seller. While working on his second book,

"And the Band Played On: Politics, People, and the AIDS Epidemic," he began to suspect his HIV status, but didn't get tested until the book was published in March 1987 because he was worried that the knowledge could affect his perspective. This book chronicled the first five years of the AIDS epidemic, and charged the Reagan administration and much of the medical community with indifference to the disease and those whom it affected. As the AIDS toll reached 200,000 in this country, "The Band Played On" was made into an HBO movie, and at its premiere last year at the Castro Theater, Shilts was visibly touched by a thunderous standing ovation. He fought his illness hard so he could finish his last book, "Conduct Unbecoming: Lesbians and Gays in the U.S. Military." He is yet another of the heroes of this epidemic to lose his fight.

Due to an alarming growth in AIDS cases among teenagers, the Marin Board of Supervisors says it will urge that condoms be made available at high schools along with education programs. The Marin AIDS Commission says it will open seats on the Board to teens in an effort to reach at-risk youth. The number of teen AIDS cases in Marin County jumped from 45 in 1990 to 135 last year.

### BASS discounts for PWAs...

Casual, come-as-you-are concerts by the Sacramento Symphony are scheduled for March 17 and April 14. Tickets range from \$9 to \$45, with a percentage going to CARES. Clients of the AIDS Foundation can check with Bill Simmons at 349-1009, who's coordinating with the Foundation and BASS to provide SAF clients with free access to as many of the performing arts, entertainment attractions, and sporting events as possible.

### Court upholds pot ban...

The U.S. Court of Appeals recently upheld the Bush administration's 1992 decision to bar physicians from prescribing marijuana to ease the ill effects of cancer, AIDS, and other diseases. They say marijuana's medicinal value has never been proven in sound scientific studies. The Clinton administration recently agreed to review the ban, and AIDS advocates have urged the government to support the medicinal use of marijuana, saying there is indeed strong evidence that it eases nausea and increases appetite.

### Altering the epidemic...

San Francisco AIDS experts say that prevention efforts in that city have led to a peak in the epidemic, and what now appears to be a

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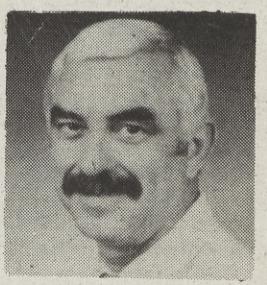
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# Single site for PWAs proposed

By Sonya Cox  
AIDS/HIV Editor

**D**iscussions are underway between CARES, the UC-Davis Medical Center, and the County of Sacramento to unify into a single location Sacramento medical clinics and other services needed by people with AIDS.

The Sacramento AIDS Foundation is involved in the discussions that could also bring their wide array of services, on a co-location basis, into what is tentatively being called the "Center for Excellence."

The goal is one-stop shopping for people at all stages of HIV infection and AIDS. "The center will bring together services that are now spread all over Sacramento," said AIDS specialist Dr. Neil Flynn. "Right now, patients are like pingpong balls. They bounce all over the place. And when you have people who are very ill, it is difficult for them to get from one place to another."

Over 640 Sacramentans are currently diagnosed with AIDS, and it's estimated that as many as 5,000 to 6,000 people in the city may be infected with HIV. The majority of this number are

unaware they are carrying and spreading the virus because they have not been tested for it, and they don't obtain treatment or information until long after infection, when they begin to experience symptoms.

Sue Strong, Director of the Center for AIDS Research, Education, and Service (CARES), said the vision of the proposal is to create a system that will make it easier for this growing number of people to access services. The person with HIV disease or AIDS is the focus of this concept. A centralized location will offer access to excellent, state-of-the-art medical care, psychological support, health education, and the numerous services needed by people with HIV as they deal with the disease.

Such a center, Strong said, could improve access to clinical trials, offer women-oriented services, and provide

a consolidated volunteer system that can access referrals to spiritual, emotional, and physical support. Other components include drug counseling and linkages to drug treatment programs for intravenous drug users, an infusion center, an information center, telephone consultation for people with concerns, professional support for physicians and other caregivers, a centralized library for brochures and other publications, and numerous other services as well.

"Further," said Strong, "we plan that consultation clinics to outlying rural counties, along with telephone and other support to distant primary care providers, will help improve access to care for persons who do not live in the greater Sacramento area and will, hopefully, decrease the need to travel to Sacramento for medical care or move here in order to obtain important services.

"It really speaks to the commitment of our community to work together to provide the best care for people with HIV and AIDS, and look at the big picture by joining together in this effort. We believe we can achieve something important for people with HIV and for our community through this concept." ▼

## HIV: locally numbers are in decline

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steady decline in new cases. The highest number for one month was in March 1992, when 305 cases were reported. Since that time, the numbers have steadily moved down to an all-time low of 113 this past December. It took a decade after education efforts began in the early 1980s for the statistics to reflect the response of gay men in particular to safer sex practices. The experts say they're concerned that the situation will be misread and result in a drop in funding, not taking into account that there are still many thousands of people with HIV in the city who will most likely need services over the next decade. It's critical, they've found, that education efforts be targeted to specific groups to be effective, especially groups such as young gay men or Latinos or African Americans. What works, they say, is when peer groups make it appear normal to change behavior.

## AIDS guidelines for physicians...

In hopes of conquering the reluctance of many physicians to treat people with HIV, the American Medical Association has mailed a detailed treatment guide to all of the nation's 192,000 primary-care physicians. The 25-page booklet discusses how to take sexual and drug histories, counseling about risk and prevention, nutrition, treatments, lab tests, dental exams, etc. In 1990, 50 percent of physicians said they would not treat a person with HIV if they were given the choice, and 4 out of 5 said

they needed more information in order to do so. Similar guidelines are now available for the public from the Public Health Service. The guidelines effort cost about \$100,000, and was paid for by Burroughs-Wellcome, manufacturer of AZT.

## Philadelphia continued...

The release of the movie "Philadelphia," modeled after real-life discrimination cases, including one in which Clarence Cain was fired by Hyatt Legal Services, is impacting the political aspirations of 27-year-old Joel Hyatt, who approved Cain's termination and is now running for the Senate. After Cain's lawsuit, Hyatt said the way they responded to Cain's illness was inappropriate. He also said he hopes this mistake does not cause his political downfall, and pledges to work to increase AIDS research and education if elected.

## Homelessness a growing problem...

The National Alliance to End Homelessness reports that between 15 and 30 percent of homeless people across the country are now homeless, and estimates that as many as half of the 1.5 million Americans with HIV are in danger of becoming homeless in the near future because of their illness, inability to work, and insufficient social services support. In the long run, they say,

will cost much less to help people pay for mortgage payments and utilities than it will to care for them if they become homeless.

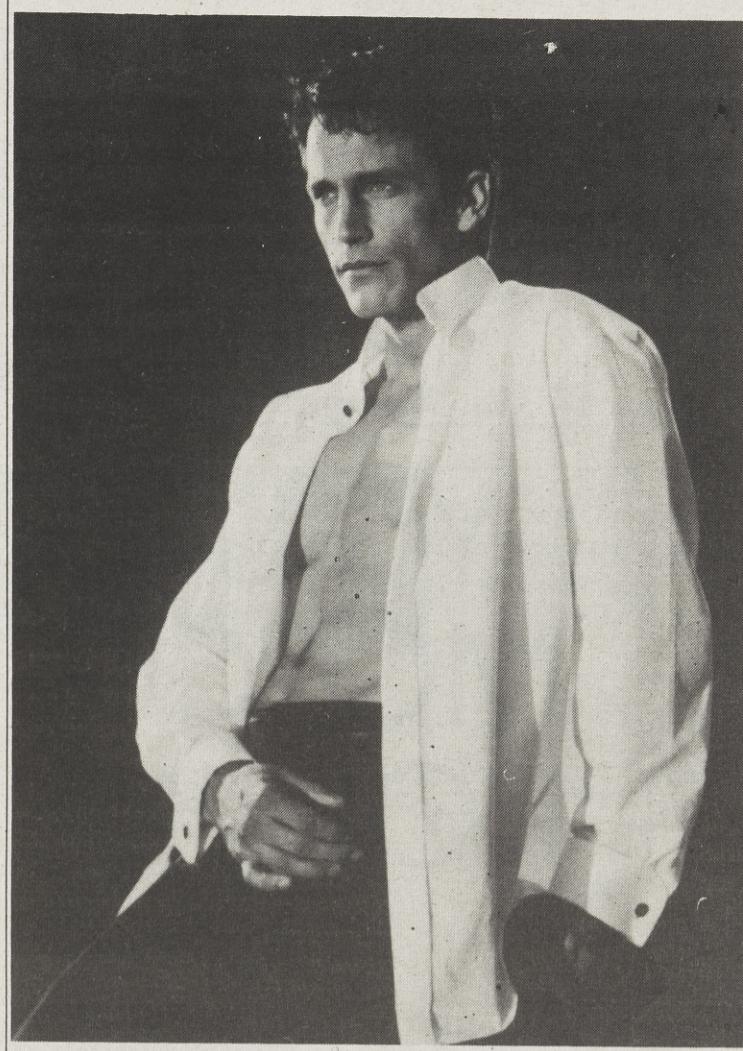
## Another clue...

Scientists are studying five hemophiliacs who tested positive for HIV antibodies in the early 1980s, but now show no signs of infection. It's thought that perhaps the virus they received in their transfusions had been killed, perhaps by some combination of the chemicals used to purify blood clotting factor, and the killed virus then acted as a vaccine, causing a rise in antibodies sufficient to fight off the HIV infection. Scientists say studying and following these cases offers a unique chance at better understanding HIV. ▼

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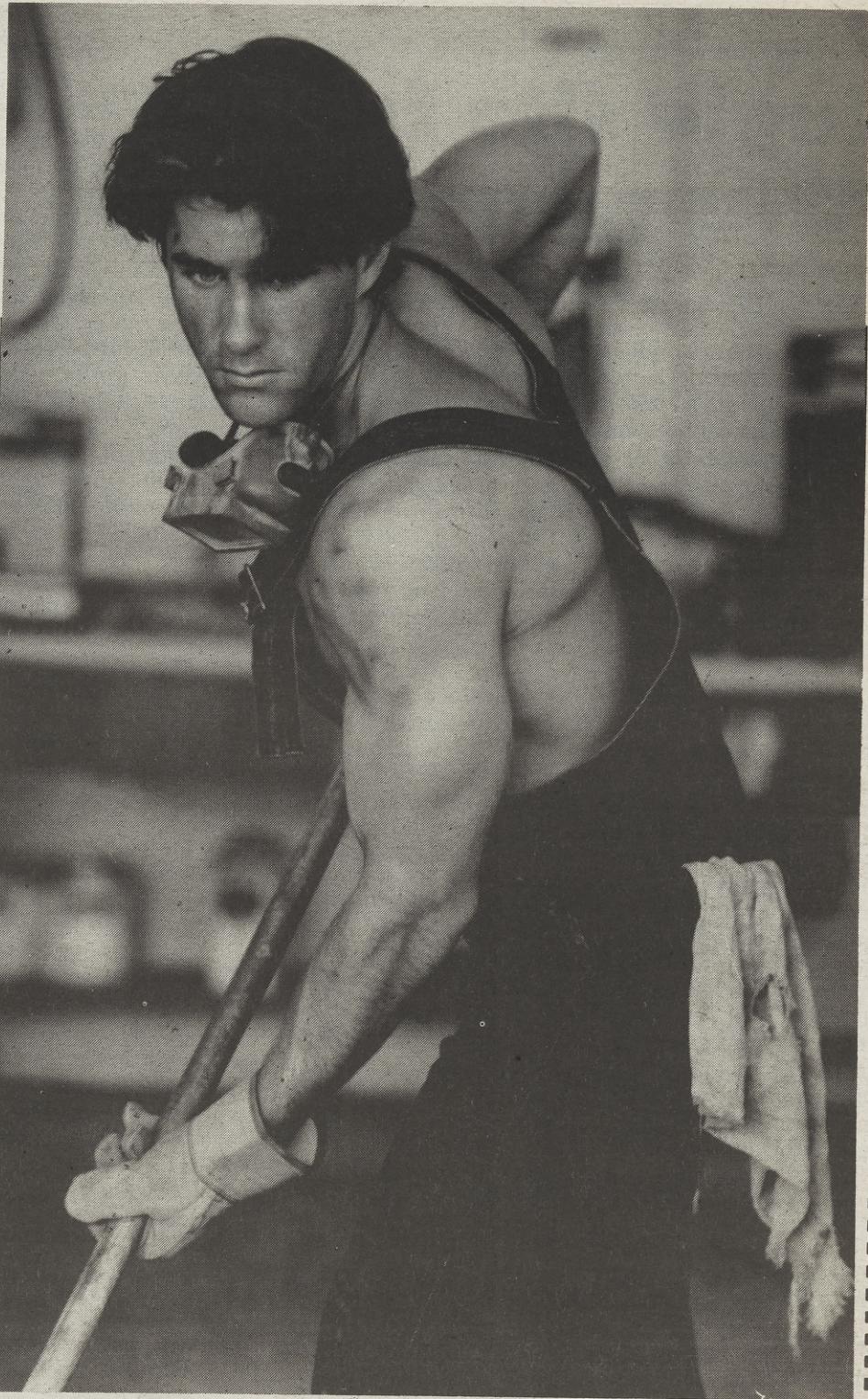
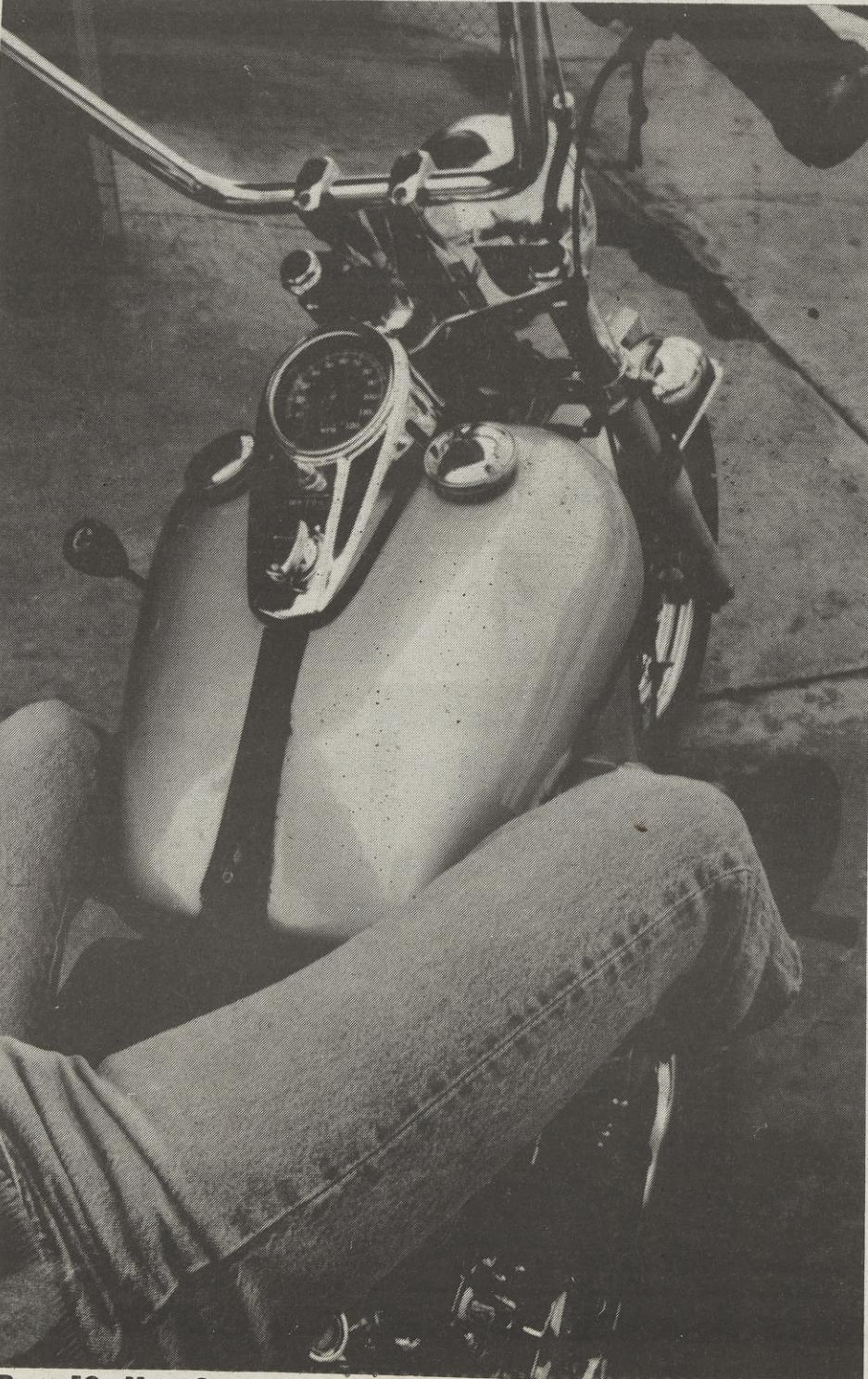
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The Gay Connection

# Good-bye to a good friend

By Joan B. Guertin  
MGW/Staff

**C**harlie left us today. After it was all said and done, after we had laid him to rest and each of us had gone our own way to mourn as we each saw fit, I was reminded of the brevity of a pet's life and the role that they play in ours. It is a humbling experience. It reminds one of the transitory nature of life itself; of the gifts that come with sharing one's life with pets, and of our own mortality.

Charlie was very special. He entered my life eight years ago through a training class when his owner showed up with this snarling, barking black and tan German Shepherd refugee from the SPCA on the end of a leash that she clutched in a death grip. He immediately became Charlie, the killer dog...if it moved he was going to eat it. I was so concerned that his owner would give up and not return to class that I would call and check on her progress during the week.

She persevered and Charlie calmed down once we discovered that his problems were resulting from Mom's nerves and apprehension. Those first weeks became a topic of conversation whenever Charlie's mom, Debbie, and I got together. It became a funny story and our friendship was forged.

Charlie became Deb's jogging companion and they were a familiar sight in Land Park. He welcomed new friends without raising a hackle. He welcomed new pups into Debbie's domain.

He tolerated cats: Debbie came home to discover the reason her big black cat, Andrew, was often a wet cat, as Charlie paraded past

her, Andrew's head in his mouth and calmly dropped him into the toilet! What a sense of humor he had!

Being a shelter dog, we will never know his history. We do know what he gave all of us the past eight years. He taught us patience, tolerance and he enriched Debbie's life through his non-judgmental affection, acceptance and trust. And he brought many new friends into her life. He taught us

unconditional love and now, the hardest lesson of all, he is teaching us to "let go." For humans, that is the toughest lesson of all.

My last moments with Charlie will linger in my heart. Although his physical condition had deteriorated with both hip and spinal surgery, there was a look of peace and courage and strength in his eyes as he leaned toward me and shared a last swipe of his tongue up the side of my face. His intelligent eyes were clear and he seemed at peace. The vet had come to Deb's house, so Charlie's last moments were spent in his own bed. He left us quietly as the heart stilled, but we all felt his presence as we wiped away tears.

He will never be forgotten. Charlie was a great dog and we are better people thanks to the gifts of love that he gave us.

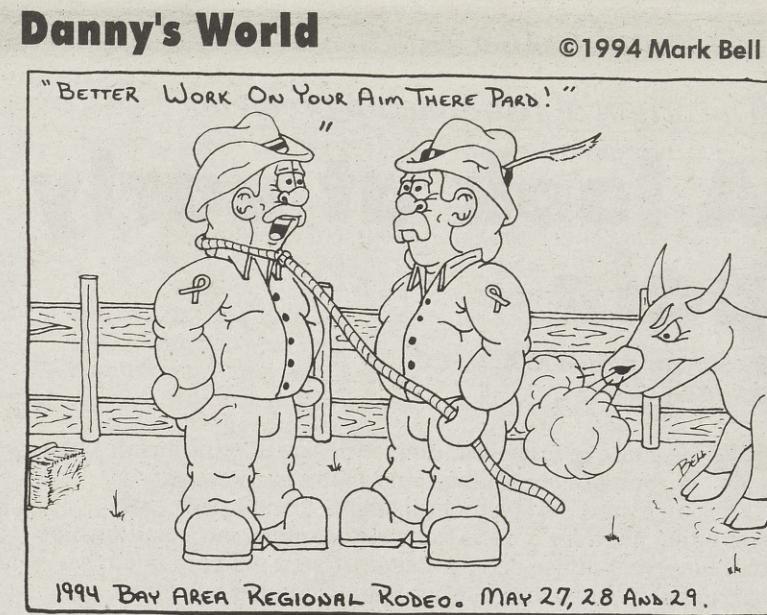
For those needing to depart from the loss of a beloved pet, Wallace Sife, *Loss of a Pet* is on bookshelves and is worthwhile reading.

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## WELLNESS

The origin of relationship problems

# A look at early pain

By Sandra Warne M.A., MFCC  
MGW/Staff

**T**he guide to understanding our current relationships can be found in our adaptation to life's early wounds at important developmental stages. Insight into early wounding provides a basis for understanding our relationships and how we still use defenses against very old pain in our current life. When and how we were wounded has direct correlation to how we react in our relationships now.

The first developmental stage is called the "Attachment Stage". This stage is characterized by "finding" mom and closing the "gulf of separation" that opened up so threateningly at birth. The main goal here is to reattach to the nurturing, protecting source of survival. As long as all rolls along perfectly and all needs are met, all is fine.

It does not take long however, before the infant begins to understand that it is a separate creature and is now understanding the difference between pleasure and pain. We know from many studies of humans and animals that they need more than regular feedings, they need physical and emotional contact; they need a reliable and constant source of love and comfort.

The "Attachment Stage" is

the infant's first eighteen months of life. If all goes well here and the baby's signals are properly responded to, it develops a sense that it is a separate being in a safe world with the power and wherewithal to get what it needs. It is "securely attached". The sense of security here, sets the tone for the babies life. It is the foundation of responses to life's perils and pleasures.

But what if parents were not totally there? What if we were propped up with pillows in front of the TV while mom vacuumed, or mom suffered Post Partum Depression and was thus inconsistent, angry or withdrawn much of that time? For these babies there was no assurance of a response when their needs surfaced. They became "insecure" or "anxious." They lost contact with their safe and joyful state.

This is exactly where maladaptive coping mechanisms take root. In response to parental effectiveness or ineffectiveness the infant creates an internal image of the parent that later becomes the model for all future

relationships. This image combined with the self image, will influence all future behavior and the coping mechanisms which will develop. The two major ways the infant copes is by "diminishing" its importance in the world or by "exaggerating" its importance.

Both are responses to threatening stimuli. As adults these responses correspond to two personality styles. These are called "The Maximizer" and "The Minimizer". These two coping styles are found in most adult partner pairings. They correspond to the infant styles of "clinging" or "detaching".

The clinging infant is responding to an inconsistent parent, one who can be cold one minute and warm the next. This parent may be self-centered, angry or busy, and the child surmises that the only way its needs will be met is through "incessant demands."

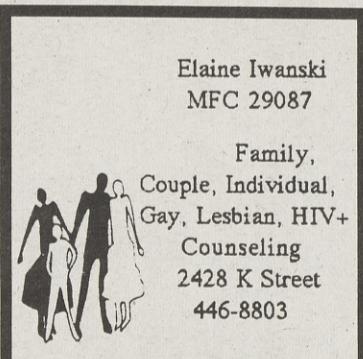
As an adult, his/her demands get met the same way: As a "clinger." These unmet infancy needs will, to a large extent influence his/her choice of partner. The core component of the relationship will be, "you are never there for me."

Clinging behavior translates in the "Maximizer" adult as expressive and explosive, fighting to get what he/she needs. Paradoxically the "Maximizer" adult usually chooses a partner, who, like the parent, is emotionally unavailable or detached; an Avoider or an adult "Minimizer". This inevitable combination, brings couples to my office at the brink of exasperation as the struggle to get their needs met seems unresolvable.▼



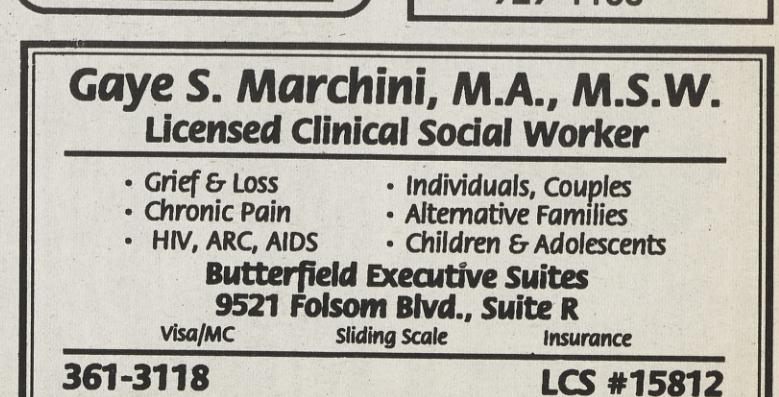
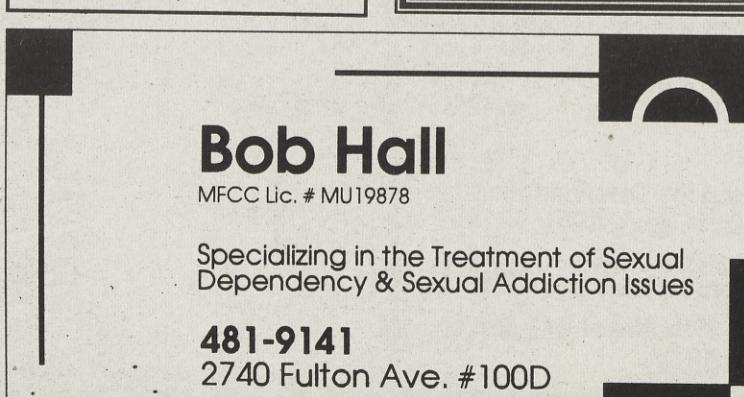
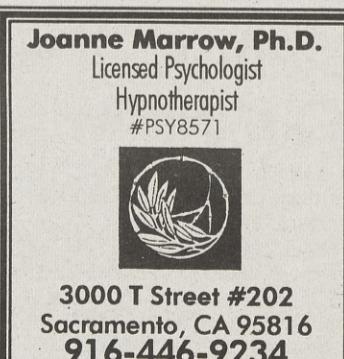
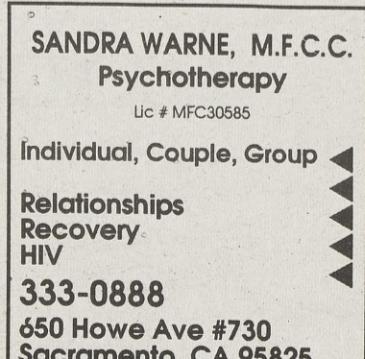
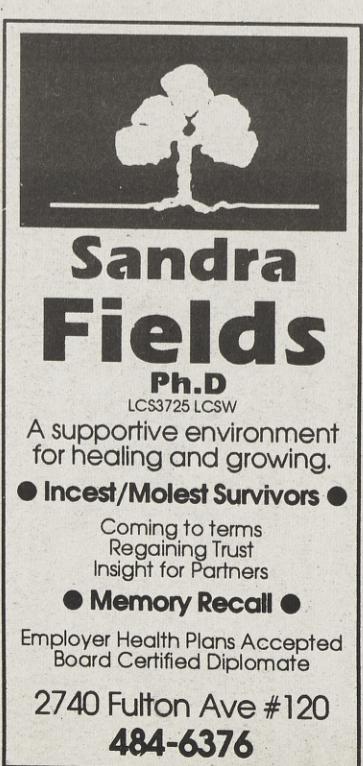
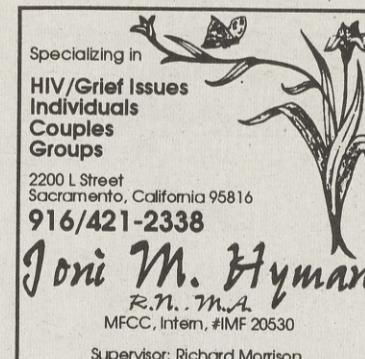
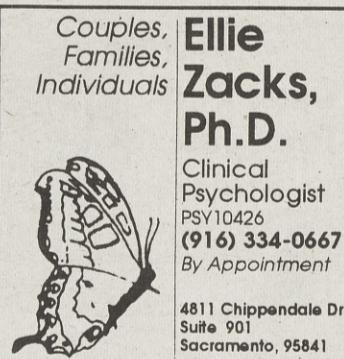
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## HEALTH

Tips for fitness over age 50

# Getting fit in prime time

by Kim Mecklenburg  
MGW/Staff

**U**nlike our ancestors, turning 50 today simply means that you are embarking on a path that could continue another 20, 30 or even 50 more years. That's good news if you've kept healthy through diet and exercise and taken a few preventative steps. If you've had a few missteps though, here are some tips to help you catch up.

### The heart

Eat a diet that can help lower your blood pressure and cholesterol count. A low-fat no cholesterol diet is best. Switch from beef and pork to chicken and fish (or eliminate animal saturated fat altogether since it is one of the biggest promoters of blood clotting and blood vessel constriction). Get regular screenings for blood pressure and cholesterol.

Want to take out some insurance? Studies show that a daily intake of up to 400 IU's of vitamin E may help reduce the risk of heart attack.

Get your body moving! How you do it (jogging,

swimming, Tai-Chi, biking etc.) doesn't matter as much as how often you do it. The Cooper Institute for Aerobics Research shows that sedentary women are 9 times more likely to die of heart disease than their exercising counterparts.

### The bones

Some rural dwellers get their calcium from the limestone they pound their corn on. Eskimos, from gnawing on fish bones. You can get yours by taking up to 1,500 milligrams of calcium per day if you're post-menopausal, or by taking

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reader feel good about who they are.

Even with her three kids, working as a dental hygienist and writing Sommers still makes time for a personal life. She said she enjoys doing relentless, non-stop research "for her books. Sommers considers herself an extremely multi-faceted personality," only one of which is a lesbian, erotic writer. As to the rest of her personalities they are mysteries that still need exploring. Fortunate for Sommers' audience. With each new self discovery comes another enticing story.

Sommers' new tape is available from: Naiad Press Box 10543, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or Ruby Paradise Productions, Box 15064 Santa Rosa, CA 95402. The cost is \$14.95, which includes taxes and shipping.▼



## Chapter Twelve

## House Of Sticks

**P**reviously: Adam blacked out what had happened to him. He woke at home alone and vowed to tell no one of the assault. Alicia learned of it and decided to take charge of the situation.

It had been three months since the incident. I had seen the doctor twice. He didn't think I needed to worry. I would be tested several times by the doctor. Everything seemed to be okay.

I had been in counselling, and learned to open up to my psychologist. We had been trying to unlock my mind to figure out what had happened. I wasn't sure how necessary it was, but the doctor explained that it was unhealthy to hide things in my mind. There might come a time when I would remember, and it might be dangerous if I did it un-prepared.

My family never knew anything had happened. I kept it as my secret, ashamed and embarrassed. I didn't go out much, I sat at home moping around. I had a mind to just drop out of life. Run off to some far away place and start over.

I had never heard from Michael, nor did Alicia tell me

of anything that had transpired from her phone call to Oakland. She merely informed me it was all taken care of. For the next few weeks I paid particular attention to the local news to see if there were any reports. I never pursued it any further than that.

Alicia and I were best friends, I knew about all her experiences, and she new mine. We loved and supported each other in all we did. I spent most of my time with her. It was spring break in 88, and Alicia had stayed at my house for the week. We had gone shopping at the K Street Mall when something had happened to me.

I remember it like it was yesterday. The sun was up, and our spirits were high. We had been shopping for our summer wardrobes. I like this outdoor mall. Although it had only been a twenty minute drive I had never been there. There were many attractive men, and I had heard a rumor

that there was a gay bar on this same street.

I had wandered into this small print shop while Alicia flirted with a salesman at the jewelry store. I was browsing at all the nice pictures. There were many pictures of attractive men, which was why I had entered. I was thumbing through the prints on one of the sections marked "classics" I came across this print of Marilyn Monroe. It was familiar to me. At first I thought it was one I had seen in Jack's room, but then I realized I had seen it somewhere else.

I stared at it for a long time trying to recall it. Suddenly, it cracked in front of me. Instead of being in my hand it was on a wall far from me. I felt some pain. I realized that Michael was standing over me. He was holding me down rubbing my genital area. I was struggling asking him to stop and he wouldn't.

Suddenly there was this

inner voice urging me to collect my strength, to defend myself. I ceased to beg to God for help and was determined to handle this situation myself. I was no longer there. It was someone else, and I was a spectator. I could still see through my eyes, but was not in control. This deep voice came from within me. "Let me go! Or I will kill you!" I heard myself yell. The voice was deep, almost Satanic.

Michael hesitated, but continued to rip off my pants. He grabbed, pulled and yanked me trying to arouse me. Then he pushed a finger into my rectum, trying to force arousal. My arm flew free and into Michael's face. A thumb protruded and found its way into his eye. There it pushed deeply into the hole. Juices and tears wet my thumb. A shriek came from Michael. He jumped back. My fists flew wildly catching Michael's hand where it clung to his eye, causing his hand to jab the injured eye.

"Your crazy!" Michael screamed. An arm reached for the vase on the coffee table. It was hurled slamming Michael on his forehead. He wailed again. Michael rushed toward me.

I turned to see the wall

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Energy**

unit, I grabbed it by the top. It was pulled as I moved out of the way. It toppled down on Michael. The last thing that was seen before I touched the beloved door knob was Michael's limp arm sticking out from under the wall unit. It resembled the wicked witches feet protruding from under Dorothy's house in "The Wizard of Oz." That inner voice rang out clear in song. "I'm off to see the Wizard! The Wonderful Wizard of Oz."

Suddenly the print was in front of me again. I felt tears on my face, but began to laugh. I thought of Michael's hand, I laughed with a sudden bit of release that I hadn't felt in months.

"The wonderful wizard of Oz?" I laughed out loud. At this point I thought that I might have gone crazy. I wondered why and if there was something wrong with me. All the negative thoughts were irrelevant, I knew he did not succeed and that I had found the strength I needed. I ran to tell Alicia.

*To be continued...▼*

## HEALTH

## Fit: sample a variety of programs

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calcitonin (a hormone given by injection). To assist absorption, add some vitamin D, the "sunshine" vitamin (the sun acts on the oils of the skin producing vitamin D, which is then absorbed by the body).

The benefits of vitamin D were first proven by studies on Muslim women whose clothing prevented sunlight from reaching their skin. Here in the states you are more likely to be concerned with layers of smog.

One result of calcium deficiency is hip fractures, with Americans suffering some 300,000 per year. If you want tips for healthy hips, call the American Academy of Orthopedic surgeons at 1-800-824-BONES, for their free booklets on exercises to aide in prevention.

## The flesh

Check sun exposed areas often, and don't forget the back of your legs. Wear sunscreen and contact your doctor if any mole looks the slightest bit suspicious. On the subject of sunscreen, you needn't buy designer labels. As long as it has an SPF of 15 or higher, you're in the "pink".

During the winter months, lather on the moisturizing lotion. It doesn't matter what your ethnic origin, skin is skin and the elements can be brutal. Switch to a heavier moisturizer and look for one that contains aloe vera or vitamin E.

Your diet and exercise program will have the greatest impact on the state of your skin, but your environment plays a part as well. Add moisture to your skin by using a humidifier in your home, and make sure you clean it regularly or mold and bacteria will build up. Your

skin will feel better and your plants will love you too!

## Exercise!

Exercise. Exercise. Exercise.

If you go to a gym, alternate the cardiovascular equipment you use. Muscles have memory and shaking them up occasionally gets results.

Sample a smorgasbord of sports and fitness programs. Variety increases the likelihood of a life long commitment. If you like a challenge, call Exercise Across America at 1-800-776-ARFA and ask them to send you a log sheet to track your mileage. All you do is pick a state, say New Mexico, and start recording. Each time you pedal or walk or bike around your neighborhood, you enter the mileage until you reach your goal. Once you reach it, the American Running and Fitness Association will send you a certificate and a press release for your local paper. After you're finished with America, try a European tour!

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### 1 - Tuesday

**SAC LEATHER ASSOC.** 7pm, meet and greet, 7:30pm, meeting. The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway, 863-3398.

**HEART TO HEART HIV+** support group for gay and bi males. 6:30 to 8 pm. SAF, 2nd Floor, 920 20th St. 448-2437.

**NATURAL FOODS CO-OP** Cooking Class: Intro to Vegan, 6-8:30pm. \$10. 1900 Alhambra Blvd, 455-2667.

**COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING** 6:30pm, SPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd. 485-2201.

### 2 - Wednesday

**CLOGGING CLASS** The Sutter Stompers, 10 week class, \$50. 6pm, Two Left Feet Center, 10853-A Folsom Blvd, Bet. Zinfandel and Sunrise, 962-3703.

**SACRAMENTO FRONT RUNNERS** A lesbian and gay running club. Evening run. All levels welcome. Jim 387-8275.

**OUTDOOR ADVENTURES** 644-1070.

**BROWN BAG LUNCH** at the Bookstore. Noon, Grapevine Books, Reno. Emily 747-2839.

### 3 - Thursday

**RAINBOW REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS** Lunch meeting, 11:30am, Hungry Hunter Restaurant, 450 Bercut Dr. Stanley long, 455-5033, Jayne Rountree, 921-6642.

**BEING GAY TODAY** Guests: Tom Jane (SAGA), Mark Hoffman (Sports Leisure Travel) and Chris Collins (KSTE), 10pm, Cable Chan. 18.

**LAMBDA LETTERS STUFFING PARTY** 7pm, 965-6851.

**GAY /LESBIAN ALLIANCE AT CSUS** Alternating between general meetings and social outings. 7:30, Sacramento Room, University Union, CSUS, 6000 J St. 486-4633.

**CODEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS** A fellowship of men and women unable to maintain functional relationships. 7:30 Lambda Center, 1931 L St.

**JOINT MEETING** Safety Issues and school Board Presidents, 6:30-7:30, City Hall, 915 I St.

### 4 - Friday

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**VALLEY KNIGHTS MOTORCYCLE CLUB** meeting, 9pm, The Wreck Room.

**S.A.C.O.R.R.** Coalition for Reproductive Rights. Meeting, 7pm, 1701 H St., 763-7705.

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### 5 - Saturday

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**POKER CLUB** For lesbian couples over 35. K or J, 649-1182.

**SACRAMENTO FRONT RUNNERS** A lesbian and gay running club. Morning run. All levels welcome. Jim 387-8275.

**YOUTH SOCIAL** 8pm to midnight. Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

**HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP** with Marjorie Thirkettle, 4:30-6pm, RCMCC, 36th & Broadway/737-3416.

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**DIFFERENT SPOKES** 455-7712.

**UNITY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** A new organization designed to bring about better communication and organization of civil rights groups. 5pm, Sanctuary, MCC, 150 Eureka St. SF.

**LIVING HISTORY DAY** 10am-4pm Sutter's Fort, 28th & L sts.

**CAMELIA FESTIVAL PARADE** 10am, downtown.

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### 6 - Sunday

**G.L.A.D. TOASTMASTERS** Club, MC C, 34th & Broadway, North Hall, 12:30am, 362-9013.

**ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** High Mass, 10am. 446-2620, 446-0804.

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**ALICE IN WONDERLAND** along with Peter and the Wolf. Kirov soloist Nikolai Kabaniaev and the Sacramento Symphony, 2:30pm, Community Center, 264-5181.

**COOKBOOK DINNER & LECTURE** Dianna Kennedy, Darryl Corti and Peg Tomlinson, Traditional Mexican Dinner and Beverages. \$125. Benefit for Planned Parenthood. 5:30pm cocktails, 6:30pm, dinner, The Penthouse, Sutter Square Galleria, 2901 K St., 446-5037.

**PARKING LOT SALE** Carmichael Recreation & Parks, 8am-6pm, La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Eagle Rd. 485-5322.

**MGW** is seeking an experienced newspaper Graphic Artist part time. Call Erich, 441-6397.

## MASTER CALENDAR FOR GAY/LESBIAN/BI EVENTS

WEAVE Auction .....	May 5
CAP/PAC Annual Dinner .....	May 7
Sacramento County Fair .....	May 7
Bay to Breakers Run, 415-777-7770 .....	May 12-15
AIDS Memorial Candlelight March .....	May 15
Sacramento Jazz Jubilee .....	May 22
Bay Area Gay Rodeo .....	May 27-30
Lambda Center Awards Dinner .....	May 27-30
Lambda Freedom Fair Celebration, Capitol Park, 442-0185 .....	June 11
Capital AIDS Walk .....	June 12
Los Angeles Gay Pride Celebration .....	June 11-12
S.F. Gay/Lesbian Film Festival .....	June 9-19
Gay Games - New York .....	June 18-25
S.F. Gay Pride Parade .....	June 19
N.Y. Stonewall 25 March .....	June 26
California State Fair .....	Aug 19-Sep 5
Rainbow Festival Street Fair .....	September 4
RCDC Lambda Awards Dinner .....	October 1
Castro Street Fair .....	October 2
National Coming Out Day .....	October 11
MGW Newspaper's 17th Anniversary, 441-6397 .....	November
World AIDS Awareness Day/A Day Without Art .....	December 1
Snow White Champagne Ball for Women, 441-6397 .....	December 11

### 7 - Monday

**MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP** Rap group concerning coming out and alternative life styles. 5:30pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

**WOMEN'S SOCIAL** Discussing life's challenges for lesbian and bisexual women. 7:15pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

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**LESBIAN 12-STEP GROUP** No fee, 7:15 - 8:45, Trinity Cathedral Church, nursery room, 2620 Capitol Ave., 488-8282.

**VALLEY BEARS** The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway, 484-7840.

**CALIFORNIA NOW** Legislative Reception, 5:30-7:30pm, 442-3414.

### 8 - Tuesday

**HEART TO HEART HIV+** support group for gay and bi males. 6:30 to 8 pm. SAF, 2nd Floor, 920 20th St. 448-2437.

**NATURAL FOODS CO-OP** Store Tour: Shopping for Wellness, 6-7pm. Free. 1900 Alhambra Blvd, 455-2667.

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**NATURAL FOODS CO-OP** Cooking Class: Health & Whole Foods - Green Cuisine, 5:30-7pm. Free. 1900 Alhambra Blvd, 455-2667.

**LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING** 9am-5pm, \$25, Friends Committee and Interfaith coalition, 442-5447.

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### 10 - Thursday

**BEING GAY TODAY** Out of town programming, 10pm, Cable Chan. 18.

**GAY /LESBIAN ALLIANCE AT CSUS** Alternating between general meetings and social outings. 7:30, Sacramento Room, University Union, CSUS, 6000 J St. 486-4633.

**SALE** "Sticks, Stones & Stereotypes," 7-9pm, Location rotates at members homes, open to the public. Barbara, 457-7945.

**COMING OUT UNDER FIRE** A new film by Arthur Dong, 8pm, The Castro Theatre, SF.

**CODEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS** A fellowship of men and women unable to maintain functional relationships. 7:30 Lambda Center, 1931 L St.

**FLUTE SOCIETY MASTERCLASS** Maquette Kuper, flutist, \$5, 1:30pm, CSUS Music Bldg. Rm. 227, 6000 J St. 278-6514.

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**AN EVENING OF MALVINA SPIRIT** Judy Fjell and Mancy Schimmel celebrate Women's History Month with a musical tribute to Malvina Reynold's. \$8-\$12, 7:30pm, Federated Church, 1031 Thompson Way, Placerille, 622-0762.

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**SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY CLASSICS** Isaiah Jackson conducts flautist Doriot Anthony Dwyer in works of Tchaikovsky, Berlioz and Zwillich. CCT, 449-6950.

**RAFT SHOW** Exhibit Hall, Community Conv. Ctr, 14th & J sts, 264-5181.

**CAMPING WOMEN** Tahoe Cabin weekend, \$35, Cindy, 361-8868.

**ARTIST'S RECEPTION** Deborah C. Goldstein, photography, "Southwest and Mexico—Contrasts & Traditions. Complimentary wine and hors'deuvres, 6-9pm, Luna's Cafe, 1414 16th St. 448-1303.

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**JAPANESE FOOD FESTIVAL** Food and cultural exhibits. Free admission. 10:30 am-4:30pm, 2401 Riverside Blvd & X St., 446-0121.